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#486 St. Anthony's Hospital Annex (Northern N.M. Rehabilitation Center); 700 Friedman.

4. Owner: Property Control Division, State of New Mexico, Santa Fe.

7. Description: Brick construction; terneplate roof fronted by brick parapet with pressed metal molding cap and cornice; crenelated projecting brick under cornice; 1/1 double-hung windows with projecting sills and splayed lintels with projecting "key-stones" (1st) or arched heads "resting" on dentil string course; brick porch piers with brick "capitals," entablature and modillion brackets; single door with sidelights and transom. A new wrought-iron porch railing and screens detract little from original design.

This brick hospital is located one block north of the North New Town Residential District in a mixed residential and institutional area.

8. Significance: Established in 1895, St. Anthony's Sanitarium was an early institutional response to the treatment of tuberculosis, a concern which was to play an important part in the development of New Mexico into the 1930's. By 1897, the Sisters of Charity, backed by the local business community, erected a first large building designed by Rapp and Rapp. The nominated Annex Building followed in 1911, adding a chapel, recreation room and twenty-two private rooms.

Since the Annex closely followed the design of the original portion, it is probably also designed by Rapp and Rapp. It is a notable example of the World's Fair Classic style and of local decorative brickwork. The symmetrical facade, and contrasting red brick and white classical details typify the Rapp's interpretation of turn-of-the-century neo-classicism, although, a hint of the Richardsonian Romanesque style--still popular in 1895--remains in the arched windows and crenelated projecting brickwork. Pier "capitals," splayed lintels and a dentil string course are drawn from the local brickwork vocabulary.

The Sanitarium was converted into a general hospital in 1921, with the Annex serving as the maternity ward. In 1957, the original portion was replaced by a new hospital building, leaving the Annex Building as a reminder of the Sister's Sanitorium.

10. Acres: 1 UTM Ref: 13 479890 3939710

Boundary: Lots 8-11 of Block 2 of Reynolds and Harold Addition.