MINNESOTA HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

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HISTORIC NAME: Patterson-Hernandez House COUNTY: Clay JAN & D IOUU

CITY/TWP.: Barnesville The Old Stone House CURRENT NAME:

LEGAL DESC.: Block 1, McGrath's 1st Addition, ADDRESS: First Avenue West at Elm

east 200' of the north 200' of the block.

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CLASSIFICATION: CONDITION: SIGNIFICANCE: THEME/S: Building X Local X Excellent X Primary Architecture Structure Good State Secondary Object ____ Fair National Others Deteriorated District OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Yes No X Restricted PRESENT USE: VISIBLE FROM THE ROAD: Yes x No Residence Yes_X No___ OCCUPIED: ORIGINAL USE: DATE CONSTRUCTED: 1898-1900 Residence ARCHITECT/BUILDER: ORIGINAL OWNER: Robert Patterson OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Nancy & John Hernandez ACREAGE: Less than one acre X P.O. Box 512 Barnesville, MN 56514 UTM REFERENCE: LOCAL CONTACT/ORG.: 96° 25' 31" longitude 46° 39' 48" latitude FORM PREPARED BY: Tom Harvey Barnesville 15' quad.

DESCRIPTION:

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The Old Stone House is a $2\frac{1}{2}$ story, Queen Anne style stone and frame structure, square in plan with bays, porches, and a corner tower. The roughly coursed fieldstone is used for a few other buildings (churches) in town. The house sits on an oversized corner lot west of the business district.

The large, circular tower with conical roof forms the southeast corner of the house. A recessed front porch comprises the rest of the front facade. The main roof is a steeply pitched side facing gable, with a single conical-roofed front dormer and two gable-roofed dormers on the rear. The north side gable is marked by a pair of windows, one with leaded stained glass, set into the fish-scale shingle covered wall. The south side has a polygonal bay with a porch at the second-floor level. The porch has turned posts and spindle balusters. Stone chimneys on both sides of the house are topped with brick covered to resemble dressed stone block. The north side chimney has two arched stained glass windows. A rear and a side entrance project from the body of the house. A modillioned cornice marks the roof

The interior has been carefully restored from a previous subdivision into apartments, and the original natural woodwork has been replaced.

STGNIFICANCE:

The Old Stone House in Barnesville is significant for its sophisticated design and architectural merit. The Queen Anne style expressed in stone is unusual in the region. The house is a visual landmark known over a wide area. Careful restoration has restored the interior of the house to its original form.