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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Ignatius Eckert House

AND/OR COMMON

Eckert-McNamara House

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

724 Ashland

__NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Hastings __ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
First

STATE

Minnesota 22

COUNTY CODE
Dakota 037 ✓

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

__DISTRICT

__PUBLIC

OCCUPIED

__AGRICULTURE

__MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

__UNOCCUPIED

__COMMERCIAL

__PARK

__STRUCTURE

__BOTH

__WORK IN PROGRESS

__EDUCATIONAL

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

__SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

__ENTERTAINMENT

__RELIGIOUS

__OBJECT

__IN PROCESS

YES: RESTRICTED

__GOVERNMENT

__SCIENTIFIC

__BEING CONSIDERED

__YES: UNRESTRICTED

__INDUSTRIAL

__TRANSPORTATION

__NO

__MILITARY

__OTHER:

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Jerome and Jacquelin McNamara

STREET & NUMBER

724 Ashland

CITY, TOWN

Hastings __ VICINITY OF

STATE

Minnesota

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Dakota County Government Center

STREET & NUMBER

Highway 55

CITY, TOWN

Hastings

STATE

Minnesota

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Hastings Community Survey

DATE

March 1977

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Minnesota Historical Society - Building 25, Fort Snelling

CITY, TOWN

St. Paul

STATE

Minnesota

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE <u>1857</u>

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Ignatius Eckert House is a two story Cupolated Italian Villa style residence. This early Minnesota home was constructed in the early 1850s in the now abandoned townsite of Nininger. It was moved to its present location in the city of Hastings in 1857.

The house is designed on a square shaped plan and constructed entirely of wood. A foundation of cut limestone supports the building. A low pitched hipped roof is topped with a center point cupola. A porch across the front of the house is supported by beveled columns and is partially bracketted. The front of the house contains three bays with the entrance in the center bay. On the south side of the house is a one story bay window. The double hung shuttered windows are of the six-over-six variety.

A small addition was added to the north side of the house when it was moved to Hastings.

It is in an excellent state of preservation.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1850s BUILDER/ARCHITECT Unknown

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The significance of the Ignatius Eckert House is due to its being an excellent example of the Cupolated Italian Villa style of architecture.

The house is one of the few remaining buildings left from the abandoned townsite of Nininger. Thomas Reed, an early merchant in the City of Hastings, moved the house to its present location in 1857.

The present owners have continued to maintain the Ignatius Eckert House in an excellent manner and it remains as one of the finest examples of this style of architecture in Minnesota.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Dakota County Assessor's Records, Dakota County Government Center, Highway 55, Hastings, Minnesota

Hastings Gazette Newspaper files, Hastings, Minnesota

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than 1

UTM REFERENCES

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ZONE			EASTING				NORTHING							

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D

ZONE			EASTING				NORTHING						

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

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Minnesota Historical Society

STREET & NUMBER
Building 25, Fort Snelling

CITY OR TOWN
St. Paul

DATE
5 August 1977

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STATE
Minnesota

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL STATE LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE *Russell W. Fridley*

TITLE **Russell W. Fridley** DATE **2-2-78**
State Historic Preservation Officer

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Charles A. Brown DATE **7-21-78**
 DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST: *Watson Cole* DATE **6-29-78**
 KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER