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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: King House
3. Street or rural address: 619 Johnson Street
City Healdsburg Zip 95448 County _____
4. Parcel number: 002-091-09
5. Present Owner: Passalacqua, Emil R. & Joan M. Address: 619 Johnson St.
City Healdsburg Zip 95448 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Italianate
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical description* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

This is an excellent example of the High Victorian style Italianate with its square bays on either side of the porch. The bays contain the typical paired Italianate double hung windows with arched tops. The windows all contain a well detailed small type hood and the bays are broken with a sloped horizontal coarsing tied in with the porch. There are similar bays on the side of the building. The exterior materials are horizontal wood shiplap siding. The iron cresting still exists on the top of the truncated roof. Across the front of the property still remains the decorative iron fence on a masonry wall. Porch columns have been changed from square sawn posts with brackets shown in an original photo of house.



8. Construction date:
Estimated _____ Factual 1885
9. Architect _____
10. Builder James W. Terry
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage 94 Depth 202
or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
08 Oct. 1982 23/02

13. Condition: Excellent ___ Good X Fair ___ Deteriorated ___ No longer in existence ___
14. Alterations: _____
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land ___ Scattered buildings ___ Densely built-up ___
Residential X Industrial ___ Commercial ___ Other: _____
16. Threats to site: None known X Private development ___ Zoning ___ Vandalism ___
Public Works project ___ Other: _____
17. Is the structure: On its original site? X Moved? ___ Unknown? ___
18. Related features: _____

SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

This is the most ornate example of Italianate house existing in Healdsburg.

Exhibiting a chain of wealthy owners, this lovely home was built in the "Nob Hill area" in 1885 by James W. Terry for John King. Mr. King, a Healdsburg pioneer, amassed a fortune and was at one time considered the richest man in Sonoma County. Like many others under the Cleveland administration, he met with financial reverses and went to the gold country hoping to retrieve his fortune. He died in 1908 in Randsburg, where he owned a home and several mining claims. The King's had three sons and three daughters. The mansion was sold in 1895 to prominent businessman, James Kruse, for \$1,500.00.

In 1908, A.F. Stevens bought the house. Stevens came from the state of Washington and was the owner of A.F. Stevens Lumber Co. near the depot, now the Healdsburg Lumber Co. Steven's daughter, Margaret, and her husband were the last of the family to live in the house.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)
Architecture 1 Arts & Leisure ___
Economic/Industrial 2 Exploration/Settlement ___
Government ___ Military ___
Religion ___ Social/Education ___
21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).
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