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National Register of Historic Places  
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Cherry Street Colonnades Historic District

other name/site number N/A

2. Location

street & town 2523, 2527, 2531, 2535, 2539, 2543, 2547, 2542 and 2544 Cherry St. N/A not for publication

city or town Kansas City N/A vicinity

state Missouri code MO county Jackson code 095 zip code 64108

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this  nomination  request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant  nationally  statewide  locally. (  See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Mark A Miles 08 Aug 05  
Signature of certifying official/Title Mark A. Miles/Deputy SHPO Date

Missouri Department of Natural Resources  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. (  See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

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Signature of certifying official/Title Date

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State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:	Signature of the Keeper	Date of Action
<input type="checkbox"/> entered in the National Register. <input type="checkbox"/> See continuation sheet.	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> determined eligible for the National Register <input type="checkbox"/> See continuation sheet.	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> determined not eligible for the National Register.	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> removed from the National Register.	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> other, (explain:) _____	_____	_____

**6. Classification**

**Ownership of Property**

(check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

**Category of Property**

(check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

**Number of Resources within Property**

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
7	2	buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
7	2	Total

**Name of related multiple property listing**

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Historic Colonnade Apartment Buildings of Kansas City, MO

**Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register**

0

**7. Function or Use**

**Historic Function**

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/multiple dwelling

**Current Function**

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/multiple dwelling

**8. Description**

**Architectural Classification**

(Enter categories from instructions)

Neo-Classical Revival

Other: Colonnaded Apartments

**Materials**

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Limestone

walls Brick

roof Asphalt

other

**Narrative Description**

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See continuation sheet(s) for Section No. 7

**8 Description**

**Applicable National Register Criteria**

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

**Criteria Considerations**

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

**Narrative Statement of Significance**

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

**Areas of Significance**

(enter categories from instructions)

Architecture  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Period of Significance**

1908-1910  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Significant Dates**

N/A  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Significant Persons**

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Cultural Affiliation**

N/A  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Architect/Builder**

Arnold, W.W.  
\_\_\_\_\_

Delay, Henry  
\_\_\_\_\_

See continuation sheet(s) for Section No. 8

**9 Major Bibliographical References**

**Bibliography**

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

**Previous documentation on file (NPS):**

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary location of additional data:**

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other Name of repository:

Kansas City Landmarks Commission  
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See continuation sheet(s) for Section No. 9

**10. Geographical Data:**

Acreage of Property 1.256 acres

**UTM References**

(Place additional boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

1 1/5 3/6/3/6/0/0 4/3/2/6/8/6/0  
Zone Easting Northing

2 / / /  
Zone Easting Northing

3 / / /  
Zone Easting Northing

4 / / /  
Zone Easting Northing

**Verbal Boundary Description**

(Describe the boundaries of the property.)

Property Tax No.

**Boundary Justification**

(Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

See continuation sheet(s) for Section No. 10

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**Additional Documentation**

Submit the following items with the completed form:

**Continuation Sheets**

**Maps** A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.  
A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

**Photographs:** Representative black and white photographs of the property.

**Additional Items:** (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

**Property Owner**

name/title Multiple, See attached  
street & number \_\_\_\_\_ telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
city or town \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ zip code \_\_\_\_\_

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### Summary:

The Cherry Street Colonnades Historic District is located in the Kansas City, Jackson County's "Midtown" area about two miles southeast of the Central Business District. The district is composed of seven multi-family colonnaded-style apartments – 2523, 2527, 2531, 2535, 2539, 2543, and 2547 Cherry St., as well as two colonnade-style duplexes, 2542 and 2544 Cherry St. There are nine total buildings within the proposed historic district, seven of which contribute to the significance of the district and meet the registration requirements for the Square Brick Column subtype as described in the Multiple Property Documentation Form "Historic Colonnade Apartment Buildings in Kansas City, Missouri." The two non-contributing buildings were historically examples of the Combined Column Porch subtype of colonnaded apartments, though substantial alterations in the 1980s removed some of the significant character defining features of the buildings. The multi-family apartments are within a larger neighborhood of early to mid-20<sup>th</sup> century residential buildings.

### Elaboration:

The neighborhood is designed in the grid pattern between the major thoroughfares of Gillham rd., 26<sup>th</sup> St, Holmes St. and 25<sup>th</sup> St. The single lots are 25 feet along the frontage and about 150 feet deep. One factor in the design of this suburb was its proximity to the streetcar lines along Gillham Rd., which provided access to downtown and other commercial centers in the city. Since the automobile had yet to develop widespread usage and the streetcars provided convenient transportation, the apartment buildings do not have driveways. Parking lots were later added in the rear.

The 2500 Block of Cherry St. is situated in a neighborhood platted in 1887 as the Duquesne subdivision. Over time, the area became locally known as Hospital Hill. The name Hospital Hill is suggestive of the topography of the area as well as the proximity of institutions such as Children's Mercy Hospital, Truman Medical Center and the University of Kansas City School of Dentistry. The proposed district sits on a slight hill that slopes downward do the Dental School to the north, Gillham Rd. on the west, and 26<sup>th</sup> St. on the south and Holmes St. to the east. This topography is reflected in the streetscape by the prevalent use of limestone retaining walls and foundations.

The main components of the district are the nine multifamily apartment buildings constructed between 1908 and 1910. The addition of the apartment buildings to this neighborhood has sizable Queen Anne, Kansas City Shirtwaist, Arts and Crafts, and other architecturally significant single-family homes represented an integration of working-class dwellings within the middle class area of Dutch Hill and the more upper-middle class enclave of Longfellow.

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The fact that the proposed district has remained intact for nearly 100 years is significant considering the institutional development and construction that has sprung up in the surrounding area. The proposed district is surrounded on the north by the University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Dentistry and Children’s Mercy Hospital. South of the 2500 block of Cherry St. is a Juvenile Justice Center. On the west is the sprawling world corporate headquarters of Hallmark Inc. East of Cherry St. the Longfellow neighborhood is still composed largely of single-family homes, many of which have been substantially rehabilitated. These examples of contemporary development underscore the value of retaining the Cherry St. district and granting it National Register status.

All the properties within the proposed district were constructed between 1908 and 1910. The Cherry Street buildings feature many of the hallmarks of the Colonnade style both in design and materials. Common design features include symmetry, central, elevated entrances, the use of classical orders and the incorporation of stylistic mixtures from other eras. As for materials, the properties are composed of brick, feature rusticated stone foundations, and combine elements of quoining and corbelled brick.

Most of the buildings contributing to the proposed historic district have suffered few changes. However, the “Abbie” and the “Libbie” underwent significant alteration in the 1980s. The “Abbie” at 2523 Cherry and the “Libbie” at 2527 Cherry were built by local real estate developer W.W. Arnold in 1908. When they were constructed they would have been defined as combined column porch sub-types. These structures featured light colored brick used as quoining and string courses. Four fluted Tuscan columns sat upon brick piers and framed the second and third-story balconies. Diamond-patterned glass distinguished the front elevations. On each building, the four fluted Tuscan columns were removed, as were the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> story balconies. The balconies were replaced with wooden decks and metal rails. To rectify this loss of integrity, the new owners of the property will work with historic architect Susan Richards Johnson to reconstruct the wood columns and balconies using period photographs. The two buildings may warrant reevaluation for National Register listing after restoration work has started.

The Henry Delay buildings running from 2531 to 2545 on the east side of Cherry St. were constructed atop rusticated stone foundations. They are defined as square brick column porch sub-types. Three-story open porches rise on the end bays, with wood railings and brick piers. Each end bay contains a window and a door unto the porch area, both with stone sills and lintels. Stone quoining marks the corners of the façade. A bracketed cornice decorates the flat roofs over the porch and entrance areas. It is notable that the railings around the porches on 2543-45 have been replaced and no longer exactly match the porches of the other four Delay buildings.

The building at 2547-49 Cherry St. varies from its surrounding counterparts. It has no stone

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lintels in the doors or windows, no stone quoining, and has a hipped or pent roof on the porch. Additionally, the dentils on the cornice of the porch are much finer and more numerous than the neighboring structures.

The two duplexes located on the west side of Cherry St. constructed in 1910 for Gerhard Schroer are best defined as square brick column porch sub-types. The 2542 Cherry St. property features a gabled roof and recessed pediment supported by brick piers. A wood balustrade extends across the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor porch. Its variations include asymmetrical bays and the separate, small one-story porch that protects the entrance to the second floor. The 2544 Cherry St. building features a pent shingled roof supported by curvilinear brackets and a denticulated cornice. The 2<sup>nd</sup> floor porch has a wood baluster.

### Individual Property Descriptions

#### **2523-2525 Cherry St. "The Abbie Apartments"**

This is one of a pair of apartment buildings constructed side by side by realtor W.W. Arnold in 1908. In 1980, four fluted Tuscan columns that sat atop the brick piers, as well as the second and third story balconies, were removed. At present the building features wooden decks and metal rails. However, this structure still features light-colored brick quoining and string courses to distinguish the facade. Diamond-patterned glass windows further distinguish the front elevation. (Non-contributing).

#### **2527-2529 Cherry St. "The Libbie Apartments"**

This is one of a pair of apartment buildings constructed side by side by realtor W.W. Arnold in 1908. In 1980, four fluted Tuscan columns that sat atop the brick piers, as well as the second and third story balconies, were removed. At present the building features wooden decks and metal rails. However, this structure still features light-colored brick quoining and string courses to distinguish the facade. Diamond-patterned glass windows further distinguish the front elevation. (Non-contributing).

#### **2531-2533 Cherry St.**

One of a series of five similar apartments built in a row in 1908 by the Henry Delay Realty Company, this structure is classified as a square brick column porch sub-type under the Historic Colonnades of Kansas City Multiple Property Form. The property was built on a rusticated stone foundation. The entrance is centrally located on the west façade. Three-story open porches rise on the end bays, with wood railings and brick piers. Each end bay contains a window and a door onto the porch area, both with stone sills and lintels. Stone quoining marks the corners of the façade. A bracketed cornice decorates the flat roof over the porch and entrance area. (Contributing).

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### **2535-2537 Cherry St.**

One of a series of five similar apartments built in a row in 1908 by the Henry Delay Realty Company, this structure is classified as a square brick column porch sub-type under the Historic Colonnades of Kansas City Multiple Property Survey. The property was built on a rusticated stone foundation. The entrance is centrally located on the west façade. Three-story open porches rise on the end bays, with wood railings and brick piers. Each end bay contains a window and a door onto the porch area, both with stone sills and lintels. Stone quoining marks the corners of the façade. A bracketed cornice decorates the flat roof over the porch and entrance area. (Contributing).

### **2539-2541 Cherry St.**

One of a series of five similar apartments built in a row in 1908 by the Henry Delay Realty Company, this structure is classified as a square brick column porch sub-type under the Historic Colonnades of Kansas City Multiple Property Survey. The property was built on a rusticated stone foundation. The entrance is centrally located on the west façade. Three-story open porches rise on the end bays, with wood railings and brick piers. Each end bay contains a window and a door onto the porch area, both with stone sills and lintels. Stone quoining marks the corners of the façade. A bracketed cornice decorates the flat roof over the porch and entrance area. (Contributing).

### **2543-2545 Cherry St.**

One of a series of five similar apartments built in a row in 1908 by the Henry Delay Realty Company, this structure is classified as a square brick column porch sub-type under the Historic Colonnades of Kansas City Multiple Property Survey. The property was built on a rusticated stone foundation. The entrance is centrally located on the west façade. Three-story open porches rise on the end bays, with wood railings and brick piers. Each end bay contains a window and a door onto the porch area, both with stone sills and lintels. Stone quoining marks the corners of the façade. A bracketed cornice decorates the flat roof over the porch and entrance area. It is notable that the railings around the porches on 2543-45 have been replaced and no longer exactly match the porches of the other four Delay buildings. (Contributing).

### **2547-2549 Cherry St.**

One of a series of five similar apartments built in a row in 1908 by the Henry Delay Realty Company, this structure is classified as a square brick column porch sub-type under the Historic Colonnades of Kansas City Multiple Property Form. This building varies from its surrounding counterparts. It has no stone lintels in the doors or windows, no stone quoining, and has a hipped or pent roof on the porch. Additionally, the dentils on the cornice of the porch are much finer and more numerous than the neighboring structures. The entrance is centrally located on the west façade. Three-story open porches rise on the end bays, with wood railings and brick piers. Each end bay contains a window and a door onto the porch area, both with stone sills and

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lintels. A bracketed cornice decorates the hipped or pent roof over the porch and entrance area. (Contributing).

### **2542-2542-A Cherry St.**

One of adjacent duplexes constructed in 1910 for Gerhard Schroer, this square brick column porch sub-type building is dominated by a two-story porch with a gabled roof and recessed pediment supported by brick piers. A wood balustrade extends across the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor porch. (Contributing).

### **2544-2546 Cherry St.**

One of adjacent duplexes constructed in 1910 for Gerhard Schroer, this building is defined as square brick column porch sub-type. It's distinguished by a two-story porch on the front façade. The entrance doors are located at the north end of the east façade. The 1<sup>st</sup> floor porch has a brick baluster, while the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor porch has a wood baluster. The brick piers terminate in curvilinear brackets and support a shingled pent roof. The cornice is denticulated. (Contributing).

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### Summary:

The Cherry Street Colonnades Historic District of Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, is locally significant under National Register under Criterion C in the area of ARCHITECTURE. The Cherry Street Colonnades are emblematic of a style that was developed by a confluence of both aesthetics and community development. The construction of the properties corresponded with the rise of the Beaux Arts and Neoclassical architectural styles, the emergence of the City Beautiful Movement, and the evolution of middle class housing in Kansas City. The proposed district contains nine buildings, 7 of which contribute to the historic character of the district. The contributing buildings represent the Square Brick Column Porch subtype as described in the Multiple Property Documentation Form "Historic Colonnade Apartment Buildings in Kansas City, Missouri" and are associated with the context for "The Colonnade Apartment in Kansas City: c. 1900-1930." The nine buildings in the district were constructed between 1908 and 1910, defined here as the district's period of significance.

### Elaboration:

Both aesthetics and community development stylistically influenced colonnaded apartments. The rise of the Beaux-Arts and Neo-Classical architectural styles corresponded with the development of the City Beautiful Movement. The Beaux-Arts style stemmed from the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris, where academicians promoted integrating the classical Greek and Roman architecture. The neoclassical movement fused Georgian, Adam, Early Classical Revival and Greek Revival traditions.

The resulting Kansas City Colonnade style combined the features of these architectural movements. Symmetry, central, elevated entrances, the use of classical orders and the incorporation of stylistic mixtures from other eras combine to make the colonnade style distinct. By the time the Cherry Street properties were constructed, from 1908 to 1910, the Colonnade apartment style had already been pioneered by local developer William H. Collins and his architect, John W. McKecknie. The pair had been designing and building since 1902 in a style that stemmed from the Neoclassical movement, which fused Georgian, Adam, Early Classical Revival and Greek Revival traditions.

The Cherry Street Colonnade properties embody these elements by combining square brick columns, quoining, denticulated cornices and other stately architectural embellishments. Even at a glance, the proposed district illustrates a distinctive white wood and red brick color palette often associated with Neoclassical buildings.

The Cherry Street district and its properties exemplify how local architects, contractors and builders combined practicality and aesthetics to meet the demand for housing and to also appeal

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to the tenants' desire for an element of style deriving from symmetry, order and minor degrees of ornamentation.

In fact, the properties were specifically built for an emerging middle-class demographic, which played a vital role in the expansion of Kansas City in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. Cherry Street and the surrounding Longfellow neighborhood developed with the expansion of the park and boulevard system instituted in Kansas City by George Kessler, a proponent of the City Beautiful Movement. Nearby Gillham Rd. was one of the city's parkways and connected the Cherry Street Colonnades with the larger parks and boulevard system.

Tenants were attracted to the Cherry Street neighborhood by the affordable and attractive new rental construction, the proximity of streetcar lines, the green spaces that separated the boulevards from downtown, and the sense that their new dwellings were a "step-up" from the tighter quarters and more urban confines of the lower-middle class neighborhoods closer to downtown.

The seven apartment dwellings and the two duplexes within the proposed district are fine examples of variations on the Colonnade style. As set forth in the Multiple Property Documentation Form, this property type ". . . is typically a multi-story, masonry apartment building with one or more prominent multi-story colonnaded porches. Today there are over five hundred surviving colonnade apartment buildings built in Kansas City, Missouri between 1900 and 1930." Such buildings were typically constructed in a Neoclassical style or in simple vernacular variations referencing classical design. These apartment buildings usually contained six units.

Local real estate developer W.W. Arnold built the Abbie at 2523 Cherry and the Libbie at 2527 Cherry in 1908. They were originally built as combined column porch sub-type apartments. These apartments featured light colored brick used as quoining and stringcourses. Four fluted Tuscan columns sat upon brick piers and framed the second and third-story balconies. Diamond patterned glass distinguished the front elevations. The defining porch elements have been removed, and the buildings are not considered contributing to the architectural significance of the district.

The five Henry Delay buildings running from 2531 to 2547 on the east side of Cherry St. are defined as square brick column porch sub-types. Three-story open porches rise on the end bays, with wood railings and brick piers. Each end bay contains a window and a door onto the porch area, both with stone sills and lintels. Stone quoining marks the corners of the façade. A bracketed cornice decorates the flat roofs over the porch and the entrance areas.

The two duplexes located on the west side of Cherry St. constructed in 1910 for Gerhar Schroer

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are best defined as square brick column porch sub-types. The 2542 Cherry St. property features a gabled roof and recessed pediment supported by brick piers. A wood balustrade extends across the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor porch. The 2544 Cherry St. Building features a pent shingled roof supported by curvilinear brackets and a denticulated cornice.

It's worth noting that the proposed Cherry Street Colonnades district is located proximate to at least six other National Register districts. North Hyde Park and Central Hyde Park, both residential districts, are located 12 blocks to the south. North Hyde Park was placed on the National Register in 1984. Central Hyde Park was placed on the National Register in 1980. Janssen Place, formerly a residential enclave of turn-of-the-century railroad and lumber barons, is located 14 blocks south of the proposed district. It was listed on the National Register in 1976. The Armour Boulevard Multiple Resource Area, District I, is located southwest of the proposed district between Broadway and Baltimore Avenue. The Armour District features a series of hotels and apartment dwellings in a variety of styles. It was placed on the National Register in 1983. In May, 2004, Old Hyde Park East and Old Hyde Park West, located 16 blocks southwest of Cherry St., were both added to the National Register.

As set forth in the Multiple Property Documentation Form, this property type "...is typically a multi-story, masonry apartment building with one or more prominent multi-story colonnaded porches." More specifically, the requirements for the Kansas City Colonnade type include:

- Brick wall cladding
- At least two self-sufficient units
- Between two to four stories
- Located roughly within the City of Kansas City
- Constructed primarily between the years 1900 and 1930
- Retaining sufficient architectural integrity and historic characteristics to enable identification with the property type – including the primary façade appearance and preferably, although not necessarily, the basic configurations of the original plan delineating public halls and apartment units or historic alterations thereof

While the Colonnade style developed, four particular sub-types emerged: the Classical Colossal Column Porch; the Combined Column Porch; the Square Brick Column Porch; and the Transitional Colonnade Apartment Building. Each of these variations feature multi-tiered colonnaded porches or bays and brick walls with restrained use of terra cotta, contrasting stone quoins, and other ornamental details adapted from other popular styles.

The level of integrity within the proposed Cherry Street Colonnades district is high. All nine of the proposed properties are brick, have at least two units, are between two and four stories, are located in Kansas City, MO and were constructed between 1900 and 1930. Seven of the nine

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buildings retain significant architectural integrity and are easily identifiable with the type and associated sub-types.

However, two of the buildings, the "Abbie" and the "Libbie" were altered in the 1980s. On each building, the four fluted Tuscan columns that sat atop the brick piers were removed, as were the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> story balconies. The balconies were replaced with wooden decks and metal rails. Despite the loss of the columns, both buildings do retain brick walls, symmetrical facades, brick piers and still feature balconies, though they are poor substitutes. Additionally, the "Abbie" and "Libbie" feature original brick quoins and original diamond-patterned windows on the front facades. The current owner is planning on restoring the two buildings to their former appearance based on historic photographs and plans. Once exterior restoration is begun, the two buildings should be reevaluated for their potential eligibility for listing as contributing resources in the district.

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### Verbal Boundary Description

Refer to the bold line on the attached scale maps of the proposed district.

### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

2523 Cherry St. – Duquesne Heights, Lots 62 and 63, except part in street.  
2527 Cherry St. – Duquesne Heights, Lots 64 and 65, except part in street.  
2531 Cherry St. – Duquesne Heights, Lots 66 and 67, except part in street  
2535 Cherry St. – Duquesne Heights, Lots 68 and 69, except part in street  
2539 Cherry St. – Duquesne Heights, East 120.5 feet, lots 70 and 71  
2543 Cherry St. – Duquesne Heights, Lots 72 and 73, except part in street  
2547 Cherry St. – Duquesne Heights, East 120.5 feet, lots 74 and 75  
2542 Cherry St. – Duquesne Heights, West 120.5 feet of lot 97, north 9 feet of West 10.5 feet of lot 98 and East  
½ VAC Alley LY West of and Adjacent  
2544 Cherry St. – Duquesne Heights, South 16 feet of West 120.5 feet of lot 98 North 18 feet of West 120.5  
feet of lot 99 and 3ast ½ VAC Alley LY West of and Adjacent

### Boundary Justification

The Cherry Street Historic District is comprised of the residential area bounded by Gillham Road on the West, 26th Street on the South, Holmes on the East, and 25<sup>th</sup> Street on the North. The district is limited to properties constructed as multi-family residences along the 2500 block of Cherry St..

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Holding Original Negatives on File  
Date: January 31, 2005

1. Streetscape Facing SE
2. Streetscape Facing NW
3. Streetscape Facing NE
4. Streetscape Facing North
5. 2523 Cherry St., "Abbie" Bldg., Facing East
6. 2523 Cherry St., "Abbie" Bldg. Closeup, Facing East
7. 2527 Cherry St., "Libbie" Bldg., Facing East
8. 2527 Cherry St., "Libbie" Bldg. Closeup, Facing East
9. 2531 Cherry St., Facing East
10. 2531 Cherry St. Closeup, Facing East
11. 2535 Cherry St., Facing East
12. 2535 Cherry St. Closeup, Facing East
13. 2539 Cherry St., Facing East
14. 2543 Cherry St., Facing East
15. 2547 Cherry St., Facing East
16. 2542 Cherry St., Facing West
17. 2546 Cherry St., Facing West

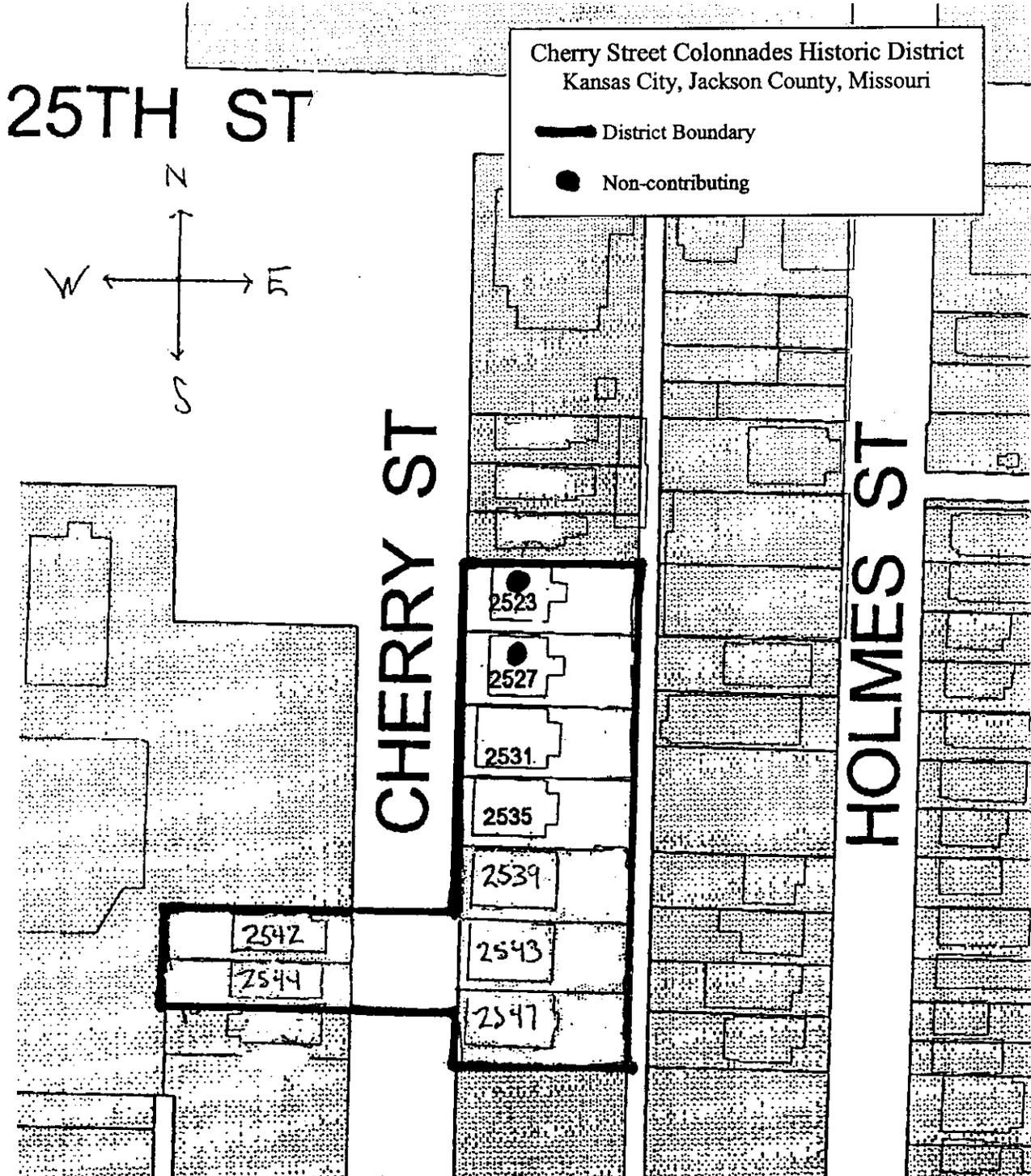
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## District Map





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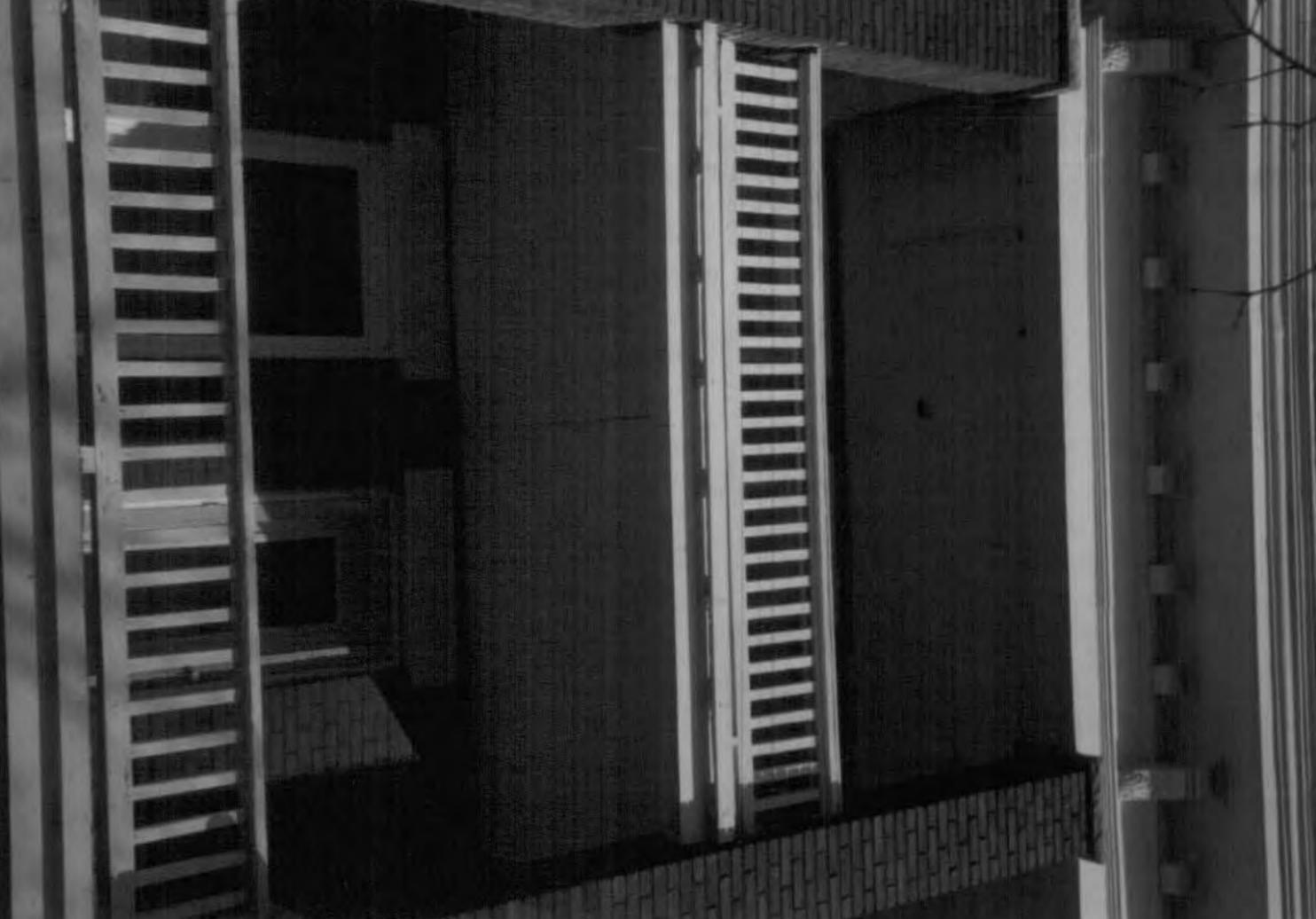
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