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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

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1. NAME OF PROPERTY

Historic name: Bernstein, Moses, House

Other name/site number: Site No. 665

2. LOCATION

Street & number: 1705 North Richmond

Not for publication: N/A

City/town: Wharton

State: TX *County:* Wharton

Code: 481 *Zip Code:* 77488

3. CLASSIFICATION

Ownership of Property: Private

Category of Property: Building

Number of Resources within Property: *Contributing* *Noncontributing*

<u> 1 </u>	<u> 1 </u>	<i>buildings</i>
<u> 0 </u>	<u> 0 </u>	<i>sites</i>
<u> 0 </u>	<u> 0 </u>	<i>structures</i>
<u> 0 </u>	<u> 0 </u>	<i>objects</i>
<u> 1 </u>	<u> 1 </u>	<i>Total</i>

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic and Architectural Resources of Wharton, Wharton County, Texas

4. STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this x 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 x meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

 See continuation sheet.

Laurie J. Russell
Signature of certifying official

27 Jan. 1993
Date

State Historic Preservation Officer, Texas Historical Commission

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

 See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE CERTIFICATION

I, hereby certify that this property is:

 entered in the National Register
 See continuation sheet.

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National Register

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3/18/93

 determined eligible for the
National Register
 See continuation sheet.

 determined not eligible for the
National Register

 removed from the National Register

 other (explain): _____

[Signature]
Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

6. FUNCTION OR USE

Historic: DOMESTIC: Single Dwelling

Current: DOMESTIC: Single Dwelling

7. DESCRIPTION

Architectural Classification: LATE 19TH AND 20TH CENTURY REVIVALS: Spanish Colonial Revival

Materials: foundation Brick
walls Stucco
roof Asphalt
other Wood

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

 x See continuation sheet.

8. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: locally

Applicable National Register Criteria: C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) : N/A

Areas of Significance: Architecture

Period(s) of Significance: 1930

Significant Dates: 1930

Significant Person(s): N/A

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Architect/Builder: Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

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Bernstein, Moses, House
Wharton, Wharton County, Texas

Description:

The Moses Bernstein House is a 2-story Spanish Colonial Revival style dwelling clad in stucco facing east on North Richmond Road. A large side-gabled roof covers the mainblock of the house while 1- and 2-story projections with gable roofs are found on the east and south facades, respectively. The dwelling rests on a brick foundation and asphalt shingles cover the roof. The principal (east) facade is most reflective of the architectural style with a full width plane highlighted with arched windows and doors of irregular size and placement. The plane is broken by a 2-story wooden inset porch at the southeast corner and a projecting 1-story addition with tripartite multi-light windows at the northeast corner.

The Moses Bernstein House is a 2-story Spanish Colonial Revival style dwelling clad in stucco facing east on North Richmond Road. It is located north of the main neighborhoods and is largely surrounded today by a few large houses and commercial buildings. The house is on a level lot set back from Richmond Road with some complementary landscaping around the house.

The house is in plan a large 2-story rectangular block with projecting 1- and 2-story additions. A large low-pitched side-gabled roof covers the mainblock while low-pitched gable roofs are found on the east and south additions. Asphalt shingles cover the roof. The dwelling rests on a brick foundation that supports load-bearing masonry walls covered in stucco.

The principal (east) facade is most reflective of the architectural style with a full width plane punctuated with arched windows and doors of irregular size and placement. The plane is broken by a 2-story heavy timbered wooden inset porch at the southeast corner and a projecting 1-story addition with tripartite multi-light windows at the northeast corner. A stucco chimney rises at the northeast corner. There is extensive use of wrought-iron grillwork on the porch, balcony, and window of the principal facade.

All other facades have flat-arched, double-hung 1/1 windows with wooden sashes in an irregular arrangement.

A small wood frame garage (ca. 1940) stands near the southwest corner of the house. It is classified as Noncontributing.

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Bernstein, Moses, House
Wharton, Wharton County, Texas

Statement of Significance:

The Bernstein House (1930) at 1705 North Richmond is an excellent example of the Spanish Colonial Revival style architecture in Wharton. It retains a high degree of integrity with few alterations. The house is nominated under Criterion C for architecture and associated with the context: *Community Development in Wharton, Texas, 1875-1942.*

Moses Bernstein purchased the property on North Richmond in 1929 from J.W. and Ava Cooper for \$3,500. In 1930, Bernstein contracted for the construction of this house. The builder is unknown. Mr. Bernstein and family were prominent dry goods merchants into the 1970s with a store in the central business district. The property was sold to Raymond C. Harrison in 1981.

The Bernstein House is an excellent representation of Spanish Colonial Revival style architecture. The flat plane of the main block broken by the 2-story porch, arched windows and doors, wrought iron detailing, and multi-light windows are strong elements of the style. Moreover, its placement on the edge of the town set back from a major thoroughfare gives the property a greater sense of environment typical of the style. Overall the property retains a high degree of integrity and is one of the few examples of this style in Wharton.

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

See bibliography of historic context statement.

x See continuation sheet.

Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

 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:

x State historic preservation office (Texas Historical Commission)

 Other state agency

 Federal agency

 Local government

 University

 Other -- Specify Repository:

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Acreage of Property: Less than one acre

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

A 14 781940 3247420 B

C D

 See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: Wharton Addition, Block 60 ext, Lot 21A

Boundary Justification: The property includes all areas historically associated with the building.

11. FORM PREPARED BY (assisted by Dwayne Jones, Preservation Planner, THC staff)

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Organization: Hardy-Heck-Moore

Date: July 1989

January 1992

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State: TX Zip: 78705

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Wharton MRA TEXAS Wharton County

Date Listed

COVER Substantive Review

1. Abovitz, Leon, House Substantive Review

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

2. Banker, Willie, Jr., House

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3. Bernstein, Moses, House

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National Register

4. Bolton--Outlar House

National Register

5. Colorado River Bridge

Entered in the
National Register

6. Croom, Wiley J., House

Substantive Review

7. Dannon, F. F., House

Substantive Review

8. Davidson, Dr. Green, House

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National Register

9. Davis, Ben and Mary, House

Entered in the
National Register

10. Elkins, Nettie, House

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11. Elliott, E. Clyde and Mary, House

Entered in the
National Register

12. First Methodist Episcopal Church South, Old

Entered in the
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13. Garrett, Henry B., House

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14. Garrett, John A. and Sophie, House

Entered in the
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15. Gifford, George C. and Annie, House

Entered in the
National Register

16. Hamilton, Joseph Andrew, House

Entered in the
National Register

17. Harrison, Gerard A., House

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18. Harrison--Dennis House

Substantive Review
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19. Hawes, Edwin, House

National Register

20. Hawes, Edwin, Jr., House

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Bernstein, Moses, House

MULTIPLE NAME: Wharton MPS

STATE & COUNTY: TEXAS, Wharton

DATE RECEIVED: 2/01/93

DATE OF 16TH DAY: 3/04/93

DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/16/93

DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/18/93

REFERENCE NUMBER: 93000116

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N

OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N

REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 3/18/93 DATE Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA

REVIEWER

DISCIPLINE

DATE

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

___count ___resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___historic ___current

DESCRIPTION

___architectural classification
___materials
___descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

___summary paragraph
___completeness
___clarity
___applicable criteria
___justification of areas checked
___relating significance to the resource
___context
___relationship of integrity to significance
___justification of exception
___other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___acreage ___verbal boundary description
___UTMs ___boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___sketch maps ___USGS maps ___photographs ___presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500657