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HISTORIC BUILDING INVENTORY RECORD

	NOT FOR FIELD USE
Eligible Det. Not	Eligible Nominated Certified Rehab. Date

PROJECT NAME: Littleton Hi	COUNTY:	CITY:	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1357		
Survey 1997	(#97-01-082)	Arapahoe	Littleton	TEMPORARY NO.: 2077-17-4-01-012	
CURRENT BUILDING NAME: ADDRESS: 5543 S PRINCE ST		OWNER: SWANSON, ROBERT E TRUSTEE/OF SWANSON FAMILY TRUS 5543 S PRINCE ST LITTLETON CO 80120			
Littleton, CO 80120		TOWNSHIP 5S	RANGE 68W	SECTION 17 NE 1/4 SE 1/4	
HISTORIC NAME: Swanson Residence		U.S.G.S. QUAD NAME: Littleton, Colo. YEAR: 1965 (r. 1994) X 7.5' 15'			
DISTRICT NAME:		BLOCK: 6 LOT(S): 6 ADDITION: LITTLETON ORIG. TOWN YR. OF ADDITION: 1872			
FILM ROLL NO.: 97-11 BY: Roger Whitacre	NEGATIVE NO.: 22	LOCATION OF NEG		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ESTIMATE: ACTUAL: 1921 SOURCE: Arap. County Assessor	
				USE: PRESENT: Residence HISTORIC: Residence CONDITION: X EXCELLENT GOOD FAIR DETERIORATING EXTENT OF ALTERATIONS: X MINOR MODERATE MAJOR DESCRIBE: Pipe railings on porch stairs.	
STYLE: Bungalow		I .	STORIES:	ORIGINAL SITE X MOVED DATE(S) OF MOVE:	
MATERIALS: Wood, Stucco, Co	ncrete		SQ. FOOTAGE:	NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY	
ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: One-story front gable roofed frame dwelling with overhanging eaves and projecting beams; composition roofing. Walls clad with narrow lap siding; gable face clad with square, coursed shingles. Projecting gabled porch with square piers topped by short, square, tapered columns; solid balustrade; piers and balustrade clad with stucco. Center paneled and glazed door flanked by multi-/single-light double-hung sash windows; simlar windows on side walls. Gable face has multi-light rectangular window and louvered vent. Chain link fence encloses front yard; arbor over front gate. Gabled garage with narrow lap siding.			INDIVIDUAL: YES X NO CONTRIBUTING TO DISTRICT: YES NO LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION: No NAME: DATE: ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS? X YES NO TYPE: Garage		
		CONTINUED? YE	S X NO	IF INVENTORIED, LIST ID NOS.:	
ADDITIONAL PAGES: YES	X NO				

PLAN SHAPE:	ARCHITECT:	STATE ID NO.: 5AH1357
	Unknown SOURCE:	ORIGINAL OWNER: Unknown SOURCE:
	BUILDER/CONTRACTOR: Unknown	
	SOURCE:	THEME(S): Colorado Town Form in Early Auto Era, 1920-45

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY (DESCRIPTION, NAMES, DATES, ETC., RELATING TO MAJOR ALTERATIONS TO ORIGINAL STRUCTURE):

CONTINUED YES X NO

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (DISCUSS IMPORTANT PERSONS AND EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS STRUCTURE):
This is the long time home of the Robert Carter Swanson family. Robert Carter Swanson, Sr. opened a jewelry and watch repair business on Main Street, Swanson's Jewelry Store, in Littleton in 1911. His son, Robert, Jr., began to work in the store with his father full time in 1934. He did general store work and his father taught him watch and clock repair. Mr. Swanson, Sr., died in 1939 and his son took over the business. Robert, Jr., had been born in Arvada in 1918 and the family moved to Littleton in that year, living on Nevada St. in a large two-story home. Later they built this home on Prince Street. In 1939, Robert Swanson, Jr., married Ethel Fagerberg of Greeley, and they had two children, Patricia and Robert E. Swanson's Jewelry and Stationery Store was the oldest store on Main Street when it closed after Mr. Swanson, Jr., had a stroke in 1992. The family still owns this house.

CONTINUED YES X NO

SIGNIFICANCE (CHECK APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES AND BRIEFLY JUSTIFY BELOW):

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:

REPRESENTS THE WORK OF A MASTER POSSESSES HIGH ARTISTIC VALUES

X REPRESENTS A TYPE, PERIOD, OR METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT PERSONS
ASSOCIATED WITH SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OR PATTERNS

CONTRIBUTES TO AN HISTORIC DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This house is a well preserved representative of the Bungalow style popular during the early twentieth century and reflected in the gabled roof with overhanging eaves, the multi/single-light windows, and the prominent gabled porch with piers topped by short columns and solid balustrade.

CONTINUED YES X NO

REFERENCES (BE SPECIFIC):

Arapahoe County Assessor records; Littleton Historical Museum Photograph files; Littleton Independent, 22 July 1938 and 24 Feb. 1977; Littleton City Directories; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps; Littleton Historical Museum, "Memoirs of Robert C. Swanson," 30 May 1993.

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SURVEYED BY: R.L. Simmons/T.H. Simmons

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