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Location

86 George Street HAMILTON, Southern Grampians Shire

Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

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SIGNIFICANCE: » Particularly elegant and distinguished Federation style house. Owners important German Lutheran pioneers. Landmark building on highway

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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This Federation style house has local significance as the home of Frederick Heller, jeweller, and his wife, Sarah Jane, In 1905, Mrs Heller is shown as the owner (possibly because of the anti-German agitation of the time) and Frederick as the occupier. ([i]) The previous year the property was rated as vacant land. ([ii]) Heller may have had

associations with the German Lutheran community in the Hamilton district as a descendant of Maria Heller, a German Lutheran prophetess, who was admitted to the Hamilton Lutheran congregation in 1876. She married Ernst Scholz, living at nearby Hochkirch until her death in 1906. Hochkirch, or German Town, became known as Tarrington in 1918, as a result of anti-German sentiment. ([iii])

The house is a particularly distinguished and elegant exercise in the Federation style. It shows an emphasis on the roofline and the diagonal, both set off by the spire and perpendicular axes of the gables. The materials used are also typical and, in the case of the pressed cement sheet roof tiles, innovative. It contrasts with Lyndhurst, 4 McIntyre Street and the house at 18 McIntyre Street which were built at the same time. The remnants of the original garden complement the house. It survives significantly intact and in excellent condition. It is critical to the streetscape.

[i] *Hamilton Rate Book* 1905, No. 1217 (house, NAV 50 pounds).

[ii] *Ibid.*, 1904, No. 1448.

[iii] Garden, Don, *Hamilton*, pp 48, 192.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - City of Hamilton Conservation Study, Timothy Hubbard with Carlotta Kellaway & Michael Looker (plus Francis Punch), 1991;
Construction dates	1905,
Hermes Number	26652
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

MATERIALS:

Roof: »pressed AC tiles

Walls: »tp red brick

Dressings: »cement render

Plinth: »red brick

Windows: »timber dhs

Paving: »

Other: »terra cotta ridge tiles

Physical Description 2

NOTABLE FEATURES:»Spire in elaborate roofline

Integrity

INTEGRITY: E

CONDITION: G

Historical Australian Themes

ASSOCIATED HISTORIC THEMES

Industry: Jewellers

Religion: German Lutherans

Evolution of the Town: 1900s

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