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## 438 Centre Road



State Savings Bank 438  
Centre Rd Bentleigh

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### Location

438 Centre Road BENTLEIGH, Glen Eira City

### Municipality

GLEN EIRA CITY

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO98

### Heritage Listing

Glen Eira City

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### Statement of Significance

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The former State Savings Bank building adopts architectural forms not uncommon for banks of the period and is important in the Bentleigh shopping centre as the most imposing commercial building of the inter-war period. The corner location enhances its impact and imparts identity to the centre.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Glen Eira - City of Glen Eira Heritage Management Plan, Andrew Ward, Architectural Historian, 1996;
Other Names	State Savings Bank,
Hermes Number	43728
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

A monumental and prominently situated stuccoed former bank in the Egyptian Revival mode with a pilastrated facade, upper level loggia and frieze with "The State Bank of Victoria" in stuccoed Roman letters. Prominent roundels and the form of the facade suggest Egyptian architectural influence whilst ornamentation is generally simplified in the manner of the period. Steel framed lower level windows adopt superimposed Greek and St. Andrews Cross motifs. The facade treatment returns along the Daley Street elevation for a single bay and there is a porch giving access to the former residential entrance.

## Physical Description 2

Condition: Sound

## Physical Description 3

Integrity: High

## Historical Australian Themes

Glen Eira as a pre-eminent inter-war municipality

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