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REGISTER OF HISTORIC KANSAS PLACES--COVER SHEET

Name of Property Leavenworth Landing Historic District

Location 201-221 Delaware  
(street and number)

Leavenworth, Kansas 66048  
(city, town, or vicinity location)

Lots 22-25, 27-32, Block 22 Leavenworth City Plat  
(legal description)

Leavenworth  
(county)

Owner of Property V. B. Greenamyre

201 South Main Street  
(street and number)

Leavenworth, Kansas 66048  
(city, town, county)

National Register status:

date approved for nomination to the National Register by Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review \_\_\_\_\_

date entered in National Register \_\_\_\_\_

Description: The historic district includes a block of commercial buildings on the south side of Delaware Street (201-221 Delaware) in Leavenworth, Kansas. Although most of the facade details have been retained, three buildings (201, 205, and 207 Delaware ) have had a third story removed at some time between 1924 and 1941.

Cast iron store fronts, arched and semicircular window hoods, sills and metal bracketed cornices are some of the most important remaining details. The buildings have stone foundations, painted brick walls, and flat roofs sloping slightly from front to back. Each storefront is approximately 25 feet wide; length ranges from 60-100 feet.

This property was substantially rehabilitated in 1976-77.

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Significance In present-day Leavenworth this isolated block of historic buildings  
gives the best available evidence of the city's original focus of commercial activity.  
Delaware and Cherokee Streets were the two principal business streets in the city during  
the period when trade depended on steamboat transportation. The buildings between Second  
and Third on Delaware were only one-and-a-half blocks from the busy landing on the Missouri  
River.

All the buildings are rectangular brick blocks with ornamental Italianate facades--  
typical examples of the "commercial palace" style of mid-nineteenth century architecture.  
Except for one constructed in 1886-87 and a modern building erected on the original alley,  
the structures in the district were built before 1869, and most were probably constructed  
between 1857 and 1863.

Form prepared by Dale Nimz, Historic Preservation Dept. date 8-14-81

This property was approved for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places  
by the Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review on 8-10-81  
I hereby certify that this property is included in the Register of Historic Kansas  
Places.

Joseph W. Gull  
State Historic Preservation Officer

Aug. 17, 1981  
Date