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HERITAGE ASSESSMENT SURVEYING FORM

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NAME OF PLACE: SECOND STANDARD HOUSE





Previous/alternative name/s : 1998 - Ellerines

New Financial House

LOCATION: Street : Simmonds

Street number : 67

: [127 Jeppe; 65, 67, 69 71 Simmonds; 210 Bree]

Stand Number : 1201, 1202, 1207, 1208 Previous Stand Number: 994, 995, 1107, 1108

Block number : AN

GIS reference :

ZONING: Current use/s

Previous use/s :

DESCRIPTION OF PLACE:

Height :

Levels above street level : eleven Levels below street level : one On-site parking : yes

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CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:		
Walls:		
Roof:		
Windows:		
SITE FEATURES:		
ALTERATIONS:		
INTEGRITY:		
INSCRIPTION:		
ARCHITECT:		
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BUILDER:		
CONSTRUCTION DATE:		
Date on plans Approval of plans Completion date	: : 6 August 1969 : 1970	
BUILDING STYLE:		
Johannesburg Late Modernist.		
BUILDING TYPE:		
Multi Storey Light Industrial (shops and offices).		
ENVIRONMENT:		
CONDITION:		
Fair (requires maintenance work – of mostly a cosmetic nature).		
URGENT ACTION:		
SAHRA RECORD REGARDING ALTERATIONS, RENOVATIONS, RESTORATION:		
PROTECTION STATUS: (under National Heritage Resources Act, 1999)		
General protection:	Section 34(1) structure/s	
Formal protection:	provincial heritage site	
	national heritage site	
	provisional protection	
	heritage area	
	listed in provincial heritage resources register	
Relevant Gazette Notice:		
Gazette description:		
FORMER PROTECTION STATUS: (under National Monuments Act, 1969)		

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NOTES:

DEEDS INFORMATION:

Original ownership:

PRE-HISTORY OF SITE:

KROBRO BUILDING:

By 1954, the *Krobro Building* stood on the 65 Simmonds Street portion of this consolidated stand. RIC Scott-Hayward, Government Sworn Appraisers were tenants in 1954.

FIRST STANDARD HOUSE:

At the corner of 210 Bree and 71 Simmonds Streets in 1954, was the *First Standard House*. Tenants in the building during 1954 were: Bree Street Tailoring; Old England Fish & Chip Shop; Mutual Outfitters (Pty) Ltd.

HISTORY:

GENERAL NOTES:

Estimated cost of building : R140 000 Estimated cost of drainage : R7 000

Accommodation approved : Valuation at completion :

Occupied : yes (Ground Floor).

"Mr. Eric Ellerine entered the furniture business in 1950 when, at 16 years of age, he opened his first store in Cyrildene Johannesburg. Legend has it that his first sale was a credit sale. From these small beginnings, Ellerines has developed into a major force in South African retailing. Remarkable to record in these days of growth by acquisition, Ellerines' growth is almost entirely organic. The group comprises some 489 stores grouped into five store brands, of which the Ellerines brand itself, comprising some 218 stores, is the largest. Although several stores are based in neighbouring countries, Ellerines remains, overwhelmingly, a South African company. It is also a major source of credit with a debtors' book of little under R2 billion comprising the accounts of some of South Africa's poorest consumers, many of whom do not even have access to a bank account." (Information sourced from https://www.comptrib.co.za/decidedcases/html/78LMJULOOM.HTM.

According to the 1973 edition of Who's Who, Eric Ellerine son of Alf Ellerine; born on the 10th November 1933 in Johannesburg was the Chairman and Managing Director of Ellerine Holdings Limited; Chairman of Cohen Bros. Limited; Director of Volks Meubels Group of Companies and Managing Director of Ellerine Furnishers Group of Companies. He was educated at the Athlone High School in Johannesburg. (Roberts, T. (Managing Editor): Who's Who...)

PREVIOUS TENANTS:

By 1998: Ellerines.

CURRENT TENANTS:

His Majesty's School; King Roast; WL19 Trading Wholesale Phones; L.S. Nkosi Optometrist.

SOURCES:

For additional illustrative information, see relevant supplementary photo album in electronic format.

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