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REPORT -- HISTORICAL VALUES COMMITTEE

The Historical Values Committee met July 23, 1963, in the office of the Philadelphia Historical Commission. Present: Dr. Nichols, chairman; Mr. Williams and Dr. Tinkcom.

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The field report and accompanying photographs of buildings to be considered for preservation in the area between Lombard and South Streets, Eighth and Broad, was reviewed. In all, 194 buildings were considered. Each of these is noted on the Hexamer and Locher map of 1858, and although many have been abused, all could be rehabilitated in the same fashion as similar houses on Iseminger, Fawn, Irving and other streets in the Washington Square West section have been reclaimed. In most cases, rehabilitation, rather than an academically correct restoration would be recommended/

The Emmanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1009 S. Fourth Street, is also recommended for certification by the Commission. (Building dates from 1868. See also Fire Association survey of 1870.)

The summary statement proposed for addition to the Commission's criteria for certifying buildings was circulated to the members. No amendments have been suggested and this Committee recommends that it be approved by the Commission as circulated.

Criteria

When certifying a building because of its association with a man or with an event important in Philadelphia history, the Historical Commission declares the building to be worthy of preservation because of its established historical value rather than because of its architectural features.

A building which illustrates the changing taste in Philadelphia is an important part of the archives of the City's social history. When certifying such a structure, the Historical Commission is not recommending its preservation because of its esthetic values; it is stating, however, that in the Commission's opinion, this building is an eloquent example of what Philadelphians once admired, and it recommends its preservation for the same reason that it would recommend the retention of any book, picture or manuscript which illustrated the same point.

194 Buildings Certified 23 July 1963 taken from Maps--1/8/73 by DLD

529 South Eleventh Street	802-04 Lombard Street
531	806
533	810
535	812
502 South Eleventh Street	814
504	816
506	818
508	820
510	826
512	828
514	830
528	832-34-36
530	842
532-34	844
510-12-14 South Sartain Street	846
904 Rodman Street	937 Lombard Street
1000-02-04 Rodman Street	939
1006	941
1020	943
1022	1108 Lombard Street
1024	1122
1026	1124
1028	1126
1030	1128
1109 Rodman Street	1130
1111	1132
1113	1134
1117	1136
1119	1138
1121	1230 Lombard Street
1123	1232-34
1125	505 South Ninth Street
1127	507
1129	509
1131	511
1139	513
1141	515
1212 Rodman Street	517
1214	521
1216	523
1218	525
1220	527
1222	518 South Ninth Street
1224 Lombard Street	524
1226-34	
518 South Tenth Street	801-03 South Street
520	805
522	807
524	809
526	811
528	813
	815