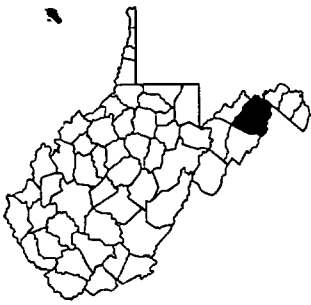




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WEST VIRGINIA HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM

Street Address 29-33 South High Street	Common/Historic Name/Both ☐ ☐ ☐ Mario's Italian Restaurant	Field Survey # 54	Site # (SHPO Only) HM-0186
Town or Community Romney	County Hampshire County	Negative No. 8A	NR Listed Date
Architect/Builder	Date of Construction c.1920	Style	
Exterior Siding/Materials Brick and Concrete Block	Roofing Material	Foundation	
Property Use or Function Residence ☐ Commercial + Other ☐	UTM #	Photograph (2" x 3" Contact)	
Survey Organization & Date Archer, Inc. Field Survey October 2006 and February 2007	Quadrangle Name Romney		
	Part of What Survey/FR# FR-5-233-HM-1		

Sketch Map of Property
or Attach Copy of USGS Map

Site No.

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Present Owners

Owners Mailing Address

Phone #

Describe Setting

_____ Acres

_____ Archaeological
Artifacts Present

Located on the west side of South High Street. It is the southern-most building on this side of the block.

Description of Buildings or Site (Original and Present)

_____ 2 _____ Stories _____ 2 _____ Front Bays

Its north wall abuts the 2-story section associated with the (Old) Bank of Romney. It is similar in design and materials to several other c.1930s Romney buildings, including the fire department and 25 South Bolton Street. This building is a 2-story, 2-bay, flat-roofed structure. The brick facade is executed in 6:1 common bond, with side walls constructed of concrete blocks imitating ashlar stone. The flat-roof features a full-width front parapet and stepped side parapets. A soldier course of bricks, and panel created from headers, provide modest ornamentation to the facade's second story.

The facade's lower level features a side-entrance that leads to 2nd story apartments. This opening is fitted with transom light and also retains its original wooden-panel and glass door. The entrance and window associated with the restaurant are very recent considerations. The porch protecting the openings also appears to be a fairly recent addition.

(Use Continuation Sheets)

Alterations

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If yes, describe: The entrance and window associated with the restaurant are very recent considerations.

Yes

No

Additions

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If yes, describe: The porch protecting the openings also appears to be a fairly recent addition.

Yes

No

Describe All Outbuildings

(Use Continuation Sheets)

Statement of Significance

Contributing

(Use Continuation Sheets)

Bibliographical References

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WEST VIRGINIA HISTORIC PROPERTY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

NAME Romney Commercial Historic District

SITE# _____

54. 29-33 South High Street (c. 1920s)

Mario's Italian Restaurant

Deed Reference 395/534 Part of Lot 57

Negative 8A

Contributing: Field Survey # 54



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