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## Units - Mason House



30 Alexandra Avenue

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### Location

30 - (2 Units) Alexandra Ave, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 211779

### Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

### Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1639

HO850

### Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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### Statement of Significance

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Previously C Listed - Local Significance

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

**STREETSCAPE:** Part of a small group of early houses (26-30) which adjoins mainly Edwardian era villas.

Historically connected with Peter Mason, one of Geelong's early landholders and hotelkeepers. It is of a housing type from Geelong's major residential building phase in the 1850's and represents the concentration of these houses which once existed in the northern part of the town as an important residential precinct until the close of last century.

Architecturally, rare among the 1850's cottages surviving in Geelong, being of masonry rather than timber. Architecturally, typical of early houses, as demonstrated by its roof form and on-street siting.

#### REFERENCES:

1. RB1857-8, 626 (unfinished)
2. RB1920, 574 (five rooms)
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Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	18144
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## Physical Description 1

A simple double-fronted stuccoed brick house with a M-hipped slated (once shingled) roof, set hard on the Fitzroy Street and Alexandra Avenue corner.

#### EXTERNAL INTEGRITY

Shown with a verandah in 1866 and c1914, it has since acquired a gabled porch, the side windows have been altered and possibly other reproduction details such as shutters and cast-iron detailing have been added. The fence has been replaced.

## Physical Description 2

Partly intact but early example. Previously had full width verandah to facade & no hoods above east openings, chimneys demolished. Rendered, hipped roof clad in slate, large multi-paned timber sash windows with deep

reveals (possibly stone walls), later timber door. Non-original gabled portico with cast iron pilasters and frieze. Originally had shutters to east side, possibly sliding.

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