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## **STATEMENT OF PROPOSAL**

### **Samaniego House - Exterior Rehabilitation**

**222 S. Church St., Tucson, AZ**

The purpose of this project is to repair and rehabilitate the exterior of the Samaniego House for future leasing to a commercial retail or restaurant user.

The Samaniego House was previously rehabilitated in 1970-73 as a part of the La Placita redevelopment. It is one of two buildings of historic age that were determined worthy of preservation and incorporated into La Placita. At that time, all exterior walls of the Samaniego House were replaced by concrete block coated in heavy Spanish-lace textured stucco. All windows and doors were replaced, using sympathetic but inaccurate wooden replacement units roughly in original locations and original sizes. While the original house in historic times was painted in light or off-white colors (evident in black-and-white photos) In later years the walls were painted in a variety of bright colors as a part of La Placita design and branding.

This rehabilitation work will improve the historical accuracy of the reconstructed house by including the following work elements.

- Removal/reversal of a number of non-historic additions and alterations, such as sheds and lighting fixtures.
- Smoothing the inappropriate wall texture.
- Replacing windows with clad wood double-hung units in place of the fixed single light units present today.
- Replacing the doors with designs more appropriate to the period of significance than the existing French doors.
- Addition of casings around doors and windows to replicate historic appearance.
- Painting the exterior using a color scheme appropriate to the architecture and period.