

ATTACHMENT 2: ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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The project or activity identified below is determined to be exempt from further environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the Implementation of CEQA.

APN: 007-100-010

Case No.: N/A

Location: 681 Buena Vista Drive, Santa Barbara, CA 93108-1408

Project Title: Sheldon House Landmark Designation

Project Applicant: Barbara Hilaire Aspittle and Rhoda Clark, Owners

Project Description: Adoption by the Board of Supervisors of a resolution approving the nomination of the Sheldon House located at 681 Buena Vista Drive, Santa Barbara, California, Assessor's Parcel No. 007-100-010, First Supervisorial District, as a Historic Landmark.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Barbara Hilaire Aspittle, as Trustee of the Barbara H. Aspittle Revocable Trust dated 12/13/1993; and Rhoda Clark, as Trustee of the Rhoda Christine Clark Living Trust

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- Ministerial
 Statutory Exemption
 Categorical Exemption(s)
 Emergency Project

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: Section 15308 [Actions by Regulatory Agencies for the Protection of the Environment] of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

Reasons to Support Exemption Findings: The Categorical Exemption under Section 15308 allows for actions taken by regulatory agencies, as authorized by state or local ordinance, to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment. The Sheldon House was identified by qualified architectural historians as being eligible for designation as a Historic Landmark due to its historical significance. The Resolution approving the designation of the Sheldon House as a

Historic Landmark includes measures to protect this historical resource in that it prohibits the demolition, removal or destruction, partially or entirely, of the property's structures unless an application has been submitted to the Historic Landmarks Advisory Commission and express consent in writing is first had and obtained from the Commission. Additionally, the Resolution stipulates that no alterations, repairs, additions, or changes (other than normal maintenance and repair) shall be made unless and until an application has been submitted to the Historic Landmarks Advisory Commission. Further, all plans for such work shall first be reviewed by the Commission and approved or modified, with reasonable conditions imposed if necessary. The Board of Supervisors' adoption of the resolution approving the designation of the Sheldon House as a County Historic Landmark constitutes an action taken by a regulatory agency, as authorized by local ordinance, to assure the maintenance and protection of the environment where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment. Based on the foregoing, no significant environmental effects would result from this project and this exemption is appropriate.

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