

**ATTACHMENT B**  
**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

**TO:** Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Santa Barbara County Planning and Development Department

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.

**Assessor's Parcel Number:** 063-160-034

**Location:** 1553 Roble Drive, Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County, California

**Project Title:** Bryce Beach Cabana and Funicular, County Historic Landmark Designation

**Project Description:** Designation of the Bryce Beach Cabana and Funicular as a Historic Landmark of the County of Santa Barbara under Chapter 18A of the Santa Barbara County Code.

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

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Marsupial Properties, LLC (owner)

**Exempt Status:** (Check one)

- Ministerial
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption
- Emergency Project
- Declared Emergency

**Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section:** Section 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines (Actions by Regulatory Agencies for Protection of the Environment)

**Reasons to Support Exemption Findings:** Section 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines categorically exempts “. . . 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. Construction activities and relaxation of standards allowing environmental degradation are not included in this exemption.”

Chapter 18A of the Santa Barbara County Code authorizes the Board of Supervisors (Board) to designate places, buildings and structures as a historic landmark having historic character and interest and being worthy of protection and enhancement.

The Board reviewed an historic report and other supporting information and concluded that the Bryce Beach Cabana and Funicular were eligible to be designed as a historic landmark. In part, these structures exemplify aesthetic and architectural history, embody distinctive characteristics of a style and period of construction, and represent the work of a notable designer.

The Board adopted a resolution designating the cabana and funicular as a historic landmark. This action encourages the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, and protection of these structures. However, it does not approve or otherwise authorize any construction activities or other physical changes to the environment and does not relax any applicable standards for future construction activities that may affect the cabana and funicular. Therefore, this action will not have a significant effect on the environment and is exempt from the provisions of CEQA consistent with Section 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines.

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**Department/Division Representative:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Acceptance Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Filed by County Clerk:** \_\_\_\_\_