NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Community Services 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.

APN(s): N/A **Case No.:** N/A

Location: Santa Barbary County

Project Title: Library Advisory Committee (LAC) Update and Ballot Measure for November 2016

Project Description: Receipt and file of an update on the LAC, pursue alternative methods to finance and provide library services within the County, and consider placing a measure on the election ballot to implement a special tax in either the unincorporated areas of the County or in Community Service Area (CSA) 3 for the purpose of providing public library services.

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- ☐ Ministerial
- ☐ Statutory
- ☐ Categorical Exemption
- ☐ Emergency Project
- ☐ No Possibility of Significant Effect [§15061(b,3)]
- ☒ Other

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: 15378(b)(4); the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project are not a project as defined by CEQA.

Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary):

A potential adjustment of a special tax rate is a government fiscal activity and does not result in direct physical impacts to the environment.

Department/Division Representative _____ Date March 24, 2015

Jill Van Wie

Note: A copy must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board after project approval and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of 30 days.

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