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Project Applicant Address	City	State	Zip

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: General Services Department/Real Property Division

Based on a preliminary review of the project the following activity 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) 033-101-013 **Case No.** Real Property File No. 003708

LOCATION: 112 West Cabrillo Boulevard, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

PROJECT TITLE: Santa Barbara Veterans Memorial Building Kitchen License and Management Agreement with Santa Barbara Agriculture and Education Foundation, Inc.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed action is for the licensing of the pre-existing County owned public facility located 112 West Cabrillo Boulevard, in Santa Barbara, for a period of five (5) years with one option to extend the term for a period of one (1) year. Santa Barbara Agriculture and Education Foundation, Inc. will provide meals to disadvantaged community members and veterans of foreign wars. The operation will function from the existing kitchen facilities and will not increase or change the current use of the facility. Licensee shall receive free rent in lieu of services provided to the community pursuant to California Government Code §26227.

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check One)

- Ministerial
- Statutory
- X Categorical Exemption [Sections 15301 Existing Facilities and 15323 Normal Operation of Facilities for Public Gatherings]
- Emergency Project
- No Possibility of Significant Effect

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: 15301 [*Existing Facilities*]; 15323 [*Normal Operation of Facilities for Public Gatherings*]

Reasons to support exemption findings:

The proposed action is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15301 [*Existing Facilities*] of the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The CEQA Existing Facilities exemption at Section 15301 allows for the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use.

Further, Section 15323 [*Normal Operation of Facilities for Public Gatherings*] exempts from CEQA review “normal operations of existing facilities for public gatherings for which the facilities were designed, where there is a past history of the facility being used for the same or similar kind of purpose.” The Santa Barbara Veterans Memorial Building was originally designed with a fully functioning kitchen used to provide intermittent meals to veterans and expanded in recent years to provide meals to the disadvantaged of the community through either contract services or volunteer

organizations. The facility has been used consistently from the 1930's to present as a *public gathering location*, and the proposed action of the Board is consistent with that historic use, will not increase the use and has a reasonable expectation that the on-going use will not represent a change in the operation of the facility.

With regard to the proposed project, the exceptions to the Existing Facilities categorical exemption that must be considered pursuant to Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines are:

- (a) ***Location. Classes 3,4,5,6, and 11 are qualified by consideration of where the project is to be located – a project that is ordinarily insignificant in its impact on the environment may in a particularly sensitive environment be significant. Therefore, these classes are considered to apply in all instances, except where the project may impact on an environmental resources of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped, and official adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies.***

The Section 15301 is a Class 1 Categorical Exemption, therefore this exception is not applicable.

- (b) ***Cumulative Impact. All exemptions for these classes are inapplicable when the cumulative impact of successive projects of the same type in the same place, over time is significant.***

There are no successive projects of the same type in the same place anticipated for this location. There is no cumulative impact and, therefore this exception does not apply.

- (c) ***Significant Effect. A categorical exemption shall not be used for an activity where there is a reasonable possibility that the activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances.***

The County's proposed Kitchen License and Management Agreement will not result in any physical changes outside the licensed area or impacts to the environment and therefore will not result in a significant effect on the environment.

- (d) ***Scenic Highways. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may result in damage to scenic resources, including but not limited to trees, historic buildings, rock outcroppings, or similar resources, within a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway. This does not apply to improvements which are required as mitigation by an adopted negative declaration or certified EIR.***

There are no state scenic highways in the project area. This exception does not apply.

- (e) ***Hazardous Waste Sites. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code.***

This proposed project is not located on a site which is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code. Therefore, it is not located on a hazardous waste site and this exception does not apply.

(f) Historical Resources. A categorical exemption shall not be used for a project which may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

This proposed project does not involve any historical resources. This exception does not apply.

As described above, none of the exceptions to the categorical exemptions contained within Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines apply to this project. Therefore, the actions of the Board and project have been determined to Categorically Exempt from the additional environmental review under CEQA Sections 15301, Existing Facilities, and 15323, Normal Operation of Facilities for Public Gatherings.

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NOTE: A copy of this document must be posted with the County's Planning and Development Department at least 6 days prior to consideration of the activity by the decision-makers to comply with County CEQA guidelines, and a copy must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board after project approval to begin a 35 day statute of limitations on legal challenges.

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