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: Staff Report on the 2015-16 El Niño Winter Season Homeless Warming Center and Day Center programs, Modification to Warming Center Activation Criteria and Increase in Warming Center funding

Project Description: Receipt and file of a staff report on the Homeless Warming Center and Day Center usage during the 2015-2016 El Niño winter season, modification of the Warming Center activation criteria such that the center opens when an overnight temperature of 35 degrees or below and/or a 50% chance of rain for one (1) day is predicted and additional funding to cover the estimated additional need for the warming centers.

Exempt Status:

☒ No Possibility of Significant Effect [§15061(b,3)]

Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: 15061(b)(3); this activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment, and where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA.

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

The proposed modification of warming center activation criteria involves a policy action that is administrative in nature. Therefore, it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that this project may have a significant effect on the environment and is not subject to CEQA.

Department/Division Representative _____ Date: November 17, 2016

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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