## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

FROM: Community Services Department

APN(s): N/A

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.

Case No.: N/A

Location: 624 East Camino Colegio, Santa Maria
Project Title: HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) and/or In-Lieu Fund Reservation
<b>Project Description:</b> The Santa Barbara County HOME Consortium receives an annual allocation of HOME funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). They County, through its Housing and Community Development Division (HCD), is the administrative entity of the County's HOME Consortium, which consists of the County and the Cities of Buellton, Solvang, Goleta and Carpinteria. A "reservation" is an understanding between the County and the applicant that a certain amount of funds will be earmarked for a specific project for a specific time period. Generally, a reservation is made to demonstrate the County's support for a project while the applicant continues the process of securing all necessary funding for the project. The reservation of HOME and/or In-Lieu funds would go toward the development costs of People's Self Help Housing Corporation (PSHHC) for the Santa Maria Senior Apartments Complex which is a housing complex for low-income senior individuals.
Exempt Status: (Check one)  Other
Cite specific CEQA Guideline Section: 15378(b)(4); The creation of government funding mechanisms of 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):
Approval of the documents does not result in direct physical impacts to the environment. When individual projects and programs contained within this document proceed to implementation, they may be subject to environmental review under NEPA and/or CEQA for the possible impacts which are unique to that particular project and/or program.
Department/Division Representative
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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