To: Marin County Clerk  
3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 255  
San Rafael, CA  94903

Date: March 07, 2023

Project Title: Persian Society of Marin – Annual Spring Celebration

Project Location: McNears Beach Park. 201 Cantera Way, San Rafael, Marin County, California

Assessor's Parcel: 184-010-16; 184-030-50; and 184-101-53

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of the Project: The proposed project consists of granting a special use permit for the Persian Society of Marin’s annual spring celebrations at McNears Beach Park reservable site 8 and all parking spaces. The events would occur on March 07, 2023 between 6:00pm and 10:00pm with set-up occurring one hour before the event and take-down occurring on hour after the event. This annual event includes the sale of food, drink, and merchandise, amplified sound for music, and dance performances. Approximately 500 participants are anticipated. Amplified sound would not exceed the County of Marin’s noise standards.

Public Agency Approving Project: Marin County Parks

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: Director of Marin County Parks

Reasons for Exemption: Marin County Parks has reviewed the special event permit application in the context of McNears Beach Park and has determined that authorizing the permit the event is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act under the following sections of the California Administrative Code:

Section 15323: Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings. The proposed project consists of issuing a special event permit at an existing Marin County park for a public gathering. McNears Beach Park was designed with reservable space for this type of event and there is a past history of this facility being used for this purpose. There is a reasonable expectation that this event would not represent a change in the operation of the facility and that the event would not result in cumulative impacts; significant impacts on the environment due to unusual circumstances; affect the significance of historical resources. The proposed project is not located within an officially designated scenic highway or on a hazardous waste site pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION – LOCATION MAP

McNears Beach Park – Persian Society of Marin Annual Spring Celebration

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McNears Beach Park

Graphics: Marin County Parks

County Park - McNears Beach

201 Cantera Way
San Rafael, CA 94901

From Highway 101, take the Central San Rafael exit and go east on Second Street (which becomes San Pedro Road) to Cantera Way.