NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Marin County Parks and Open Space District
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To: Marin County Clerk
3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 234
San Rafael, CA 94903

DATE: August 15, 2023

PROJECT TITLE: SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT – Marin County Office of Education Back to School Event

PROJECT LOCATION: Stafford Lake Park; 3549 Novato Boulevard, Novato, Unincorporated Marin County, CA

ASSESSOR’S PARCEL: 125-090-19

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of the Project: The proposed project consists of granting a special use permit to the Marin Office of Education for the Marin County Office of Education Back to School Event at the Stafford Lake Park Areas 1 and 2 reservable site and approximately 175 parking spaces. The event would occur on August 21, 2023 between 11:00 AM and 3:00 PM. Set-up would occur between 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, and take down would occur between 3:00 PM and 4:00 PM. Approximately 400 participants are anticipated. The event would include amplified sound.

Public Agency Approving Project: Marin County Parks

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: Max Korten, Director and General Manager

Reasons for Exemption: Marin County Parks has reviewed the special event permit application in the context of Stafford Lake 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 project consists issuing a special event permit at an existing facility for a public gathering. Stafford Lake 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 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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