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: October 5, 2023

PROJECT TITLE: SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT – Marin Pride

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 SpaHR Center ‘or the Marin Pride event at the Stafford Lake Park Areas 1-5. The event would occur on Sunday, October 22 between 12pm-6pm. Set-up and take down would occur between 8am-12pm and 6pm-8pm respectively. Approximately 1,000 participants are anticipated. The event would include vendors, amplified sound, and family friendly programming. The SpaHR Center will provide 10 portable restrooms for the duration of the event.

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 of 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.

Lead Agency Contact Person:

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION – LOCATION MAP

Stafford Lake Park – Marin Pride
October 5, 2023

County Park - Stafford Lake
3549 Novato Blvd.
Novato, CA 94947

From Highway 101, take San Marin Drive to Novato Blvd, to Novato Blvd/Hicks Valley Rd, then go west past the Stafford Lake Dam