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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: County of Orange _____ Office of Planning and Research
Clerk-Recorder 1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
601 N. Ross Street Sacramento, CA 95814
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Project Title and File Number: Plaza Empresa Sign Program and Alternative Development Standards
(Planning Application RSM 20-012)

Project Applicant: Tait & Associates, Inc.
701 N. Parkcenter Drive
Santa Ana, CA 92705

Project Contact Person: Erick Marroquin **Telephone Number:** 714-560-8622

Project Location: 29818, 29840, 29870 and 29880 Santa Margarita Parkway and 29821-29941 Aventura,
Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688

Project Description: A Sign Program Amendment with an Alternative Development Standard for size, quantity, number of tenant displays, and location of signs for the Plaza Empresa Shopping Center. The proposed Sign Program would be a comprehensive update to the existing Plaza Empresa Sign Program and would include new monument signage.

Public Agency Approving Project: City of Rancho Santa Margarita

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080 (b) (1); 15268));
 Declared Emergency (Sec.21080 (b) (3); 15269(a));
 Emergency Project (Sec. 21080 (b) (4); 15269(b) (c));
 Categorical Exemption (state type, section and class number)

Section 15311, Class 11: Accessory Structures

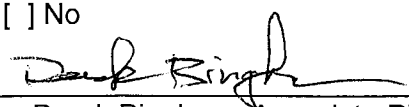
Reasons why project is exempt: Pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15311 (*Accessory Structures*), the proposed project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 11 categorical exemption since the proposed project consists of the modification of minor structures accessory to existing commercial facilities, specifically on-site signs.

Lead Agency: City of Rancho Santa Margarita

Contact Person: Derek Bingham, Associate Planner **Telephone:** (949) 635-1800 Ext. 6705

If filed by Applicant: **N/A**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?
 Yes No

Signature: 
Name and Title: Derek Bingham, Associate Planner
Date: June 1, 2022