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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE PORT OF LONG BEACH LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

Pursuant to the California Coastal Act of 1976, and the Port of Long Beach certified Port Master Plan (PMP), notice is hereby given to all interested persons and organizations that an Application Summary Report and Proposed Staff Recommendations will be considered by the Long Beach Board of Harbor Commissioners for the approval and issuance of Level II Harbor Development Permit #18-094 for the:

Carnival Corporation & PLC Long Beach Cruise Terminal Improvement Project

Carnival Corporation & PLC proposes to make improvements to its facilities at the Long Beach Cruise Terminal located at Pier H in the Long Beach Harbor District at 231 Windsor Way, Long Beach, California to accommodate a new and larger class of cruise ships capable of holding approximately 4,008 passengers, safely moor the large cruise ships at the existing berth, and improve existing safety at the berth related to ocean swells. The maritime and on-shore improvements would entail all actions and activities necessary to accommodate larger vessels and the associated increase in passenger numbers. Maritime improvements include dredging the existing berth to a deeper depth (approximately 33,250 cubic yards of dredging volume) and constructing two mooring dolphins and associated catwalks, a passenger walkway bridge extension, and fender replacements. On-shore improvements include expanding an existing parking garage, filling an abandoned tunnel, and reconfiguring traffic lanes near the parking garage.

On December 18, 2018, Carnival Corporation & PLC submitted an application to the Port of Long Beach for a Harbor Development Permit relating to the proposed facility improvements at the Long Beach Cruise Terminal. As a Responsible Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), with discretionary authority for the issuance of a Harbor Development Permit and a new Water Lease, the Board of Harbor Commissioners will consider the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) if it is adopted by the Lead Agency. Chapter 6 of the IS/MND contains the Application Summary Report, which was prepared in conjunction with the IS/MND in accordance with the Port of Long Beach Certified PMP and the California Coastal Act.

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The Long Beach Planning Commission, acting as the Lead Agency for the purposes of CEQA, adopted the IS/MND in accordance with CEQA and approved the Site Plan Review on November 7, 2019. Numerous parties have appealed the Long Beach Planning Commission's decision to adopt the IS/MND and approve the Site Plan Review for the Project. The Long Beach City Council has scheduled a public hearing to consider these appeals on December 3, 2019.

Public Hearing: If the Long Beach City Council denies the appeals filed and adopts a resolution approving and adopting the IS/MND for the Long Beach Cruise Terminal Project, the Long Beach Board of Harbor Commissioners will hold a public hearing on December 9, 2019 to consider the adoption of the CEQA Findings, Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Program, approval of the Application Summary Report, Level II Harbor Development Permit #18-094, and new Water Lease for the Project. The public hearing will be held during the regularly scheduled Board of Harbor Commissioners meeting on:

Date:

Monday, December 9, 2019

Time:

Starting at 1:30 p.m.

Location:

Bob Foster Civic Chambers Long Beach Civic Center 411 West Ocean Boulevard Long Beach, California 90802

The staff report memorandums to the Board of Harbor Commissioners will be available on the Port of Long Beach's website starting on November 27, 2019 at:

www.polb.com/environment/docs.asp

The memorandums will also be available for review at the Port of Long Beach Administration Building, 7th Floor Environmental Planning Division, 415 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90802.

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DATED:

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