NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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TO: Office of Planning and Research

P.O. Box 3044,

1400 Tenth Street, Room 121 Sacramento, CA 95814

County Clerk-Recorder County of Kings 1400 W. Lacey Blvd. Hanford, CA 93230 FROM:

Hanford Elementary School District 714 N. White St

Hanford, CA 93230

Project Title: Lincoln Elementary School Modernization Project

Project Location - Specific:

Lincoln Elementary School 832 S. Harris Street Hanford, California 93230

Project Location - County: Kings

Description of Project:

The modernization existing buildings with related site improvements.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Hanford Elementary School District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Hanford Elementary School District

Exempt Status: (check one)

X

Ministerial (Sec. 21080(a)(1); 15268(b));

Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)); Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));

Categorical Exemption. State Type and section number:

Minor addition to school [15314]

Replacement of existing structure [15302] Statutory Exemptions. State Code number:

Reasons why project is exempt:

The modernization project will result not result in increased student capacity and thus not beyond the limits set forth in 15314. The project is also not subject to any of the exceptions to exemption set forth in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Joy C. Gabler, Superintendent

Area Code/Telephone/Ext.: 559-585-3604

If filed by applicant:

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:

Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR:

Signed by Applicant

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

HANFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD FINDING THE LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MODERNIZATION PROJECT EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) AND APPROVING THE FILING AND RECORDATION OF A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

RESOLUTION NO. 09-20

- WHEREAS, the Hanford Elementary School District ("District") owns and operates Lincoln Elementary School, located at 832 S. Harris Street, Hanford, California, in the County of Kings, California (the "Site"); and
- WHEREAS, the District proposes to construct certain improvements to the Site consisting of modernization of existing buildings and site improvements at Lincoln Elementary School (the "Project"); and
- WHEREAS, prior to commencement of the Project, the District must comply with the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"); and
- WHEREAS, categorical exemptions to CEQA are set forth in Article 19 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations ("CEQA Guidelines"); and
- WHEREAS, CEQA Guidelines Section 15314 sets forth an exemption from CEQA for minor additions to existing schools within existing school grounds where the addition does not increase original student capacity by more than 25% or ten classrooms, whichever is less; and
- WHEREAS, the Project will not result in an increase in student capacity or classrooms beyond what is allowed by the exemption in 15314; and
- WHEREAS, the District has considered whether the Project is subject to any of the exceptions to exemption set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2.; and
- WHEREAS, the District has determined that the Project is not subject to any of the exceptions to exemption set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2; and
- WHEREAS, the District has considered whether the Project may have a significant effect on the environment; and
- WHEREAS, the District has concluded, through its own independent review and analysis of the Project, that the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment; and
- **NOW, THEREFORE,** the Board of Education of the Hanford Elementary School District hereby finds, determines, declares, orders and resolves as follows:
- Section 1. That all of the recitals set forth above are true and correct, and the Board so finds and determines.

- Section 2. That the District has considered whether the Project may have a significant effect on the environment.
- <u>Section 3.</u> That the District has concluded, after reviewing the Project through its own independent review and analysis, that the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- <u>Section 4</u>. That the Project will not result in additional classroom space or increase student capacity at the Site beyond what is allowed under 15314.
- <u>Section 5</u>. That the Project is subject to CEQA Guidelines Section 15314, and not subject to any exception to exemption found in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 and is therefore exempt from CEQA.
- <u>Section 6</u>. That the District's Superintendent, or the Superintendent's designee, is instructed to file and/or record a Notice of Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act, consistent with this Resolution, attached hereto as Exhibit "A," with any and all appropriate public agencies or entities, subject only to minor, non-substantive revisions, if necessary.

<u>Section 7.</u> This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education of the Hanford Elementary School District on the 13th day of November, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: 5

NOES: 5

ABSTENTIONS: 5

Attested to:

President of the Board of Education of the

Hanford-Elementary School District

Clerk of the Board of Education of the Hanford Elementary School District