



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:	☐ Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street, Rm. 121 Sacramento, CA 95814	☒ Orange County Clerk-Recorder P.O. Box 238 Santa Ana, CA 92702
FROM:	City of Lake Forest – Community Development Department Planning Division 100 Civic Center Drive Lake Forest, CA 92630	

Project Title:	Changed Plan 08-26-5895		
Project Applicant:	Nancy Kaskas 440 S. Anaheim Hills Rd Anaheim, CA 92807 Email: nkaskas@gmail.com Phone: (714) 925-6518		
Project Location – Specific:	22631 Lake Forest Drive (APN: 617-493-01)		
Project Location – City:	Lake Forest	County:	Orange County
Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:	This project is a request for exterior modifications, including a new exterior door and a fenced outdoor dining area, for a new grocery store at an existing tenant space at the Lake Forest Town Center Shopping Center.		
Public Agency Approving Project:	City of Lake Forest, Director of Community Development		
Name of Person/Agency Undertaking Project:	Nancy Kaskas 440 S. Anaheim Hills Rd Anaheim, CA 92807 Email: nkaskas@gmail.com Phone: (714) 925-6518		
Exempt Status:			
☐ 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 (Sec. & Class):		CEQA Guidelines Article 19, <i>Categorical Exemptions</i> , Sec. 15301, Class 1: <i>Existing Facilities</i>	
☐ Statutory Exemption (Code Number):			
☐ Other. Explanation:			

Reason Why Project is Exempt: The proposed project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19 – *Categorical Exemptions*, Sec. 15301, Class 1 – *Existing Facilities* of the CEQA Guidelines, which involve “negligible or no expansion of an existing use.” The project specifically includes modifications to the exterior of the building with no new square footage added to the building.

Lead Agency Contact Person:	Jennifer Mansur, AICP, Senior Planner		
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Was a public hearing held by the Lead Agency to consider the exemption?	☐ Yes ☒ No	Date of Public Hearing	
		N/A	

 Signature (Lead Agency Representative)	Date 9/14/26
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