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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: COUNTY CLERK
County of Lassen
Court House, South Lassen Street
Susanville, CA 96130

FROM: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION
City of Susanville
66 North Lassen Street
Susanville, CA 96130
(530) 252-5118

Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: **FILING OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 21108 OR 21152 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE AND SECTION 15062**

Project Title: Valley Christian Center
Contact Person: Erik Edholm, Acting Public Works Director (eedholm@cityofsusanville.gov)
Project Location: 814 Cottage Street, Susanville, Lassen County, California.
Assessor's Parcel Number(s):. APN: 103-270-007-000

Project Description, Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries: The proposed project will convert a former school building (Credence High School) that is currently vacant into a church. The project includes minor upgrades to the existing building and repaving of an existing parking lot on a 4.372-acre parcel located at 814 Cottage in Susanville. The project would accommodate approximately 200-300 people for church service on Sunday mornings. Construction for the project is limited to minor repaving of the parking lot to accommodate more ADA-compliant parking spaces, installation of a concrete hardscape and ADA ramp at the building's entrance, and the installation of planters throughout the parking lot. No major structural work or alterations to the building exterior are proposed.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Susanville
Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: Valley Christian Center
Exempt Status:

[ ] Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268;
[ ] Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a);
[ ] Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)94); 15269(b)(c);
[X] Categorical Exemption. State type and section number;
Refer to Section 15300:
15301 – Class 1: Existing Facilities
[ ] Statutory exemptions. State code number;

Reason why project is exempt: The project is categorically exempt from CEQA under Section 15301, which applies to operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing structures or facilities to meet current standards, involving negligible or no expansion of use. The project entails minor alterations to the parking lot and entrance of an existing, vacant school building to achieve current ADA standards for the building's future use as a church. The project will utilize the existing site's footprint during construction and operation. The project will increase the number of ADA parking spots and introduce accessibility ramps at the entrance of the building for compliance with State law. Although the site is within the Historic Preservation Combining District (HPCD), the project has been conditioned to comply with Chapter 17.88 of the Susanville Municipal Code, and as conditioned, will not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource. Therefore, there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances or other factors that would make the exemption inapplicable and the project is exempt under Section 15301.

This is to certify that the environmental document and record of project approval is available to the General Public at: Community Development Division and Public Works Department, 66 North Lassen Street in Susanville, CA 96130 during normal business hours.

AFFIDAVIT OF FILING AND POSTING

I declare that I received and posted this notice on the filing date as required by California Public Resources Code Section 21152 (c). Said notice will remain posted for 35 days from the filing date.

Lassen County Office of the County Clerk

Community Development Division
City of Susanville, State of California

BY: _____
SIGNATURE

NAME: Erik Edholm,
TITLE: Acting Public Works Director

Note: The filing of a Notice of Exemption and the posting on the list of notices start a 35 day statute of limitations period on legal challenges to the agency's decision that the project is exempt from CEQA. If a Notice of Exemption is not filed, a 180-day statute of limitations will apply. Refer to Section 15061(d) for filing instructions.