NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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From: County of Los Angeles
Chief Executive Office
555 W. Fifth St, 36th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90013

PROJECT TITLE: **Supporting Fresh Food Access at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Medical Campus; Gratis Lease for Watts Willowbrook Farmers' Market**

PROJECT LOCATION: Specific: 1670 East 120th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90059

PROJECT LOCATION: Martin Luther King Jr. Outpatient Center

DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE, AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT: On November 17, 2026, the Supporting Fresh Food Access at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Medical Campus motion authorized the Chief Executive Officer, or designee, to negotiate, execute, and issue a non-exclusive, gratis license agreement to Sustainable Economic Enterprises of Los Angeles (SEE-LA) for the operation of the Watts Willowbrook Farmers' Market on County-owned property at the Martin Luther King Jr. Medical Campus for a two-year term. The project consists of the temporary and periodic use of an existing paved area of County-owned property to host an outdoor farmers market and related community resource activities. No permanent structures, grading, excavation, or other substantial alterations to the land are proposed. The project serves a public purpose by increasing access to fresh and affordable food, including for CalFresh/EBT and WIC participants, in a community experiencing high rates of food insecurity and diet-related illness. Beneficiaries include patients, staff, visitors, local residents, and the surrounding Willowbrook and South Los Angeles communities.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT: County of Los Angeles

NAME OF PERSON OR AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT: Los Angeles County - Chief Executive Office

EXEMPT STATUS:

_____ Ministerial: (Sec. 21080(b)91); 15268).
_____ Declared Emergency: (Sec 21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
_____ Emergency Project: (Sec 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))
___ x__ Categorical Exemption: Class 4, CEQA Guidelines Section 15304(e) - Minor Alterations to Land; and Class Four (4) of the County of Los Angeles Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines
__ ____ Statutory Exemption:

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Delegation of Authority to for execution of the gratis license is categorically exempt from CEQA because the project involves only temporary use of existing County property for a farmers' market and will not result in significant environmental impacts. In addition, the activity will comply with all applicable regulations and there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways, listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code, Section 65962.5 or indications that may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would make the exemption inapplicable.

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Alexandra Nguyen-Rivera, CEO-RED, 555 W. Fifth St., 36th Fl, Los Angeles, CA 90013 **Telephone:** (213) 974-4189

IF FILED BY APPLICANT: [Not Applicable]
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: _____ **Date**: November 20, 2026
Printed Name: Alexandra Nguyen-Rivera **Title**: Acting Manager
_X_ Signed by Lead Agency Date Received for Filing at OPR: Not applicable
___ Signed by Applicant