

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION****EXHIBIT "D"**

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**FROM:** City of Watsonville  
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Watsonville, CA 95076

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**FILE NO.:** PP2025-8417

**Project Title:** 140 Grove Street – Body by Hank

**Project Location - Specific:** 140 Grove Street

**Project Location - City:** Watsonville  
Cruz

**Project Location - County:** Santa

**Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:** Special Use Permit, Design Review Permit, and Environmental Review (#PP2025-8417) to allow the demolition of an existing industrial building and construct a new 9,884 square-foot automotive restoration body shop for Body by Hank on a 0.29 acre industrial parcel.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** City of Watsonville

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** Henry Wempe, 140 Grove Street, Watsonville, CA 95076

**Exempt Status (check one):**

- ☐ 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. State type and section number: Class 3 and Class 32  
☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Reasons why project is exempt:** This project is exempt as a Class 3 and Class 32 Categorical Exemption. The subject site is considered an infill site and is in an urbanized area where all necessary public services and facilities are available, and the surrounding area is not environmentally sensitive (CEQA Guidelines § 15303 and 15332).

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Matt Orbach

**Telephone:** 831-768-3074

**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:** [Signature] **Date:** 04/02/25 **Title :** Interim Asst. CDD Director

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Date Received for filing at OPR:  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code

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