**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

1. **Project Title:** Ordinance Adopting Local Amendments to [Jurisdiction Name]’s [Municipal Code Chapter and Section]
2. **Project Applicant:** [Jurisdiction Name]
3. **Project Location:** [Address]
4. **Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:**

Ordinance amending [Jurisdiction Municipal Code] to include energy performance standards that apply to [existing buildings] within [Jurisdiction].

1. **Public Agency Approving Project:** [Jurisdiction Governing Body]
2. **Project Sponsor:** [Lead Department Name]
3. **CEQA Exemption Status:**

\_\_\_ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268):

\_\_\_ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a)):

\_\_\_ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c)):

\_X\_ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:

[California Code of Regulations, Title 14, § 15061(b)(3).

California Code of Regulations, Title 14, § 15301(a).

California Code of Regulations, Title 14, § 15307.

California Code of Regulations, Title 14, § 15308.]

\_\_\_ Statutory Exemption. State code number:

1. **Reasons why project is exempt:**

California Environmental Quality Act applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. [The ordinance is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15307 and 15308 as an action by a regulatory agency taken to protect the environment and natural resources. The ordinance is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15301(a) because the ordinance impacts existing buildings only and involves alterations that do not result in an expansion of use.] This ordinance is more protective of the environment than the state standards, so there is no possibility that the ordinance will have a significant effect on the environment. The ordinance helps [Jurisdiction] to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement and protection of the environment and the [Jurisdiction’s] natural resources by requiring [energy efficiency standards for existing building remodels].