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EXHIBIT "D"

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: ☑ Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

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Clerk of the Board Santa Cruz County 701 Ocean Street, Room 520 Santa Cruz, CA 95060

FROM: City of Watsonville

Community Development Dept.

250 Main Street Watsonville, CA 95076

FILE NO .: PP2023-6347

Project Title: Cannabis Retail Facility

Project Location - Specific: 274 Kearney Street

Project Location - County: Santa Cruz Project Location - City: Watsonville

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project: Cannabis Use Permit with Environmental Review (PP2023-6347) to allow a change in the ownership of an existing 1,469± square foot cannabis retail facility.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Watsonville

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Brad Palmer, on behalf of CannaCruz, 115 Limekiln Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

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));
\checkmark	Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 1, Section 15301
	Statutory Exemptions. State code number:

Reasons why project is exempt: This project qualifies for a Class 1 Categorical Exemption per Section 15301 of the State CEQA Guidelines as it involves a change in the ownership of an existing cannabis retail facility. The project does not involve an expansion of use and is located in an area that is not environmentally sensitive where all necessary public services and facilities are available.

Telephone: 831-768-3074 Lead Agency Contact Person: Matt Orbach 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

Date: January 9, 2024 Title: Principal Planner Signature:

> ☑ 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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