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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION by: JENNIFER WONG

From: Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA)

Oakland, California 94607

SAN FRANCISCO BAY CONSERVATION

& DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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Deputy County Clerk

To: San Francisco County Clerk-Recorder
City and County of San Francisco
City Hall, Room 168
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
San Francisco, CA 94102-4678

Project Title: Temporary Pay Bridge Lights Project

Project Location: Bay Bridge, San Francisco, CA

Project Location - City: City of San Francisco Project Location - County: San Francisco County

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 4

Description of Project: The project proposes to temporarily install light-emitting diode (LED) white lights on the Bay Bridge, in honor of the Bay Bridge's 75<sup>th</sup> Diamond Anniversary. Up to thirty thousand (30,000) energy-efficient LED lights, approximately two (2) inches in diameter each, will be installed on the vertical suspender cables of the north facing side of the upper deck level of the Bay Bridge's West span. The bridge lights will face away from bridge vehicular traffic and towards the San Francisco waterfront. The lights will be lit from dusk to early morning (between 12:00am and 2:00am) beginning in late 2012 and light removal is expected to begin in January 2015. The project will not affect the Bay Bridge structure, will not involve any ground disturbance, and does not involve any expansion of use of the Bay Bridge.

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Illuminate The Arts

Exempt Status:

Categorical Exemption, Class 1: Section 15301

Reasons why project is exempt: Class 1: Operation, repair, maintenance or minor alterations to a public facility involving no or negligible expansion of use.

The project, installation of temporary lights on the Bay Bridge, involves no expansion of use, will not result in significant effects on the environment due to unusual circumstances, nor will it result in a cumulative impact. The project will not result in a traffic safety impact, damage to scenic resources, cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historic resource, or affect sensitive-species or habitat; and the site is not located on a documented hazardous waste site.

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