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Ms. Catherine George St. John the Baptizer Ukrainian Catholic Church P.O. Box 3116 La Mesa, CA 91941

Reference: VMT Memo for the St. John the Baptizer Ukrainian Catholic Church Project (RECON Number 10066)

Dear Ms. George:

This letter documents the applicable exemption(s) from a Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) analysis conducted for the St. John the Baptizer Ukrainian Catholic Church Project (project). RECON Environmental, Inc. conducted background research, reviewed aerial photographs, and based the analysis on the Governor's Office of Planning and Research Technical Advisory on Evaluating Transportation Impacts in CEQA (2018).

Project Description and Location

The project would construct a 4,415-square-foot church on a vacant 0.61-acre site located at the northwest corner of Carlton Oaks Drive and Pike Road in the city of Santee, California. The site consists of a single parcel of land identified as County of San Diego Assessor's Parcel Number 380-112-08-00.

VMT Assessment

Based on the City of Santee VMT Analysis Guidelines, dated April 2022, the requirement to prepare a detailed transportation VMT analysis applies to all discretionary land development projects that are not exempt from CEQA, except for those that meet at least one of the following screening criteria: (1) projects located within a half-mile radius of a transit-accessible area, (2) small projects generating 500 or fewer net new daily trips, (3) projects in a VMT efficient area within the city, (4) locally serving retail projects, (5) locally serving public facilities, (5) redevelopment projects with lower total VMT, and (6) infill affordable housing projects.

Locally serving development projects are presumed to have less-than-significant impacts to the transportation system, and therefore would not be required to conduct a VMT analysis. The proposed project is a house of worship and falls under a locally serving public facility per the City of Santee VMT Analysis Guidelines (2022). Therefore, the proposed project would not be required to conduct a VMT analysis.

If you have any questions or concerns about this project, please call me at (858) 353-5433.

Sincerely

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