

## ATTACHMENT 5

### DETERMINATION OF EXEMPTION FROM REVIEW FOR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE UNDER UKIAH CITY CODE SECTION 3016

I have determined that failure to immediately demolish the building located at 272 North State Street, Ukiah, Ca 95482 (Mendocino County APN 002-224-13), also known as the Palace Hotel, will constitute a serious threat to public safety. For that reason, demolition together with interim safety measures should take place as soon as possible.

I base this determination on the inspection of the Palace Hotel on September 29, 2023, by the undersigned Chief Building Official for the City of Ukiah and consultation with the Fire Chief and two Battalion Chiefs of the Ukiah Valley Fire Authority who participated in the inspection and my examination of the files in the Community Development Department containing information about the Palace Hotel, including the inspection of the interior and exterior of the building conducted in 2011, the inspection conducted of the building's interior and exterior on December 12, 2015, by then Building Official David Willoughby, and the findings in City Council Resolution No. 2015-07.

Based on the most recent inspection and my professional opinion as the City's Chief Building Official, the stability of the Palace Hotel has deteriorated and poses a significant risk of collapse.

Accordingly, under UCC Section 3016.C no further review of the building's historical or architectural significance is required before a demolition permit can be issued in accordance with the provisions of the California Building Code.


DATED:

 10-24-23  
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MATTHEW KEIZER, CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL

### DESIGNATION BY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Based on his greater familiarity with and his expertise in evaluating the physical condition of buildings in the City, I have designated Matthew Keizer, Chief Building Official, to make the determinations required by Ukiah City Code Section 3016.B.

DATED: 10-24-23

  
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CRAIG SCHLATTER,  
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT