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ref.: Project 2017-7430 Description

Dear Planning Department,

I am Maria Robles, owner of Happy Hearts Childcare, a happy place where children can be themselves, grow, experiment, create, and have Happy Hearts!

Happy Hearts Childcare is currently a Small Family Child Care Home, licensed by the state of California. We are currently seeking our Large Family Child Care Home license.

Our plan is to operate from 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM, Monday through Friday, year-round.

As per the State Licensing, we are expected to provide care for 12 to 14 children. We particularly work with children from 0 to 6 years old. Our ratio of children to one provider is 6:1.

Due to our home space, we will provide care for 10 or fewer children. We also have submitted the Property Owner/Landlord Notification (LIC 9151) and have a written Property Owner/Landlord Consent Form (LIC 9149).

I am a mother of two children of 31 and 28 years old who live in their own homes, therefore my home has enough space to provide child care.

As a professional and licensed child care provider, I have a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education and over 35 years of experience as a preschool teacher and assistant director at various daycares including CCLC, Anne Darling and Bishop CDC.

My husband and I will run the family child care home and we don't expect to have employees.

Our mobile home park has several parking lots for visitors and one of them is across our property with space for 16 vehicles, which is plenty. We don't expect to use it for the purpose of long term parking for this family child care home.

Our Drop Off and Pick Up plan for 10 or fewer children is simple. Parents can park in the parking lot across the street for 5 minutes or less to drop their kids off or pick them up, from 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM. Parents love the flexibility to schedule their own time. Our program doesn't have a fixed entry/exit time.

Our street has very low traffic during business hours, therefore it shouldn't be a safety concern.

As a child care provider, we are including time in our daily schedule for outdoor free-play, from 11:10 AM to 12:00 PM and 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM. This time is subject to weather conditions. For this purpose, we have conditioned our patio to provide 192 sq.ft. of outdoor activities in a safe area for the children to play and enjoy.

Last but not least, we are not aware of any other licensed or unlicensed childcare - small or large - in the West park of Plaza del Rey mobile home community where we live. We are aware there is another neighbor in the East park (space 546) who is in the process to obtain their large family child care home license, just like us. We are over a quarter mile apart.

If you have any additional question about the project description, please call Ronald Robles (408-718-426; rorobles@comcast.net). He is my husband and represents me on all the administrative duties.

Best regards,



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