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Reply in Reference to: VA_2020_1103_001

Bonnie S. Graham Medical Center Director, Department of Veterans Affairs San Francisco VA Health Care System 4150 Clement Street San Francisco, CA 94121

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Re: Section 106 Emergency Consultation for Installation of Outdoor Seating Area, San Francisco Veterans Affairs Medical Center, San Francisco

Dear Ms. Graham:

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is initiating consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) in compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (54 U.S.C. §306108), as amended, and its implementing regulation found at 36 CFR Part 800

Pursuant to 36 CFR Part 800.12(b)(2), the VA notified the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the SHPO of its intent to install temporary seating on three 10x10 concrete pads on the San Francisco Veteran's Affairs Medical Center (SFVAMC) Entry Lawn. Vegetative screening will be added for privacy and the seating will support VA social distancing protocols.

The Entry Lawn is a contributing landscape element to the SFVAMC Historic District, a listed National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) property. The VA are requesting concurrence with a finding of no adverse effect to historic properties. After reviewing the information provided, the SHPO concurs this is an appropriate finding of effect. Be

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advised that under certain circumstances, such as an unanticipated discovery or a change in project description, the VA may have future responsibilities for this undertaking under 36 CFR Part 800.

If there are any questions, contact Historian II Ed Carroll at (916) 445-7006 or Ed.Carroll@parks.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Julianne Polanco

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