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CERTIFIED "GREEN BUSINESS" RECOGNITION

The City of Santa Cruz will recognize eight local businesses and organizations that have received "Green Business" certification in 2012 at the afternoon City Council meeting of October 23, 2012.

The City of Santa Cruz participates in the regional Monterey Bay Area Green Business Certification Program that was created to assist and recognize businesses and other entities interested in operating in a more environmentally responsible way. In order to become "Green" certified, businesses take measures above and beyond regulatory requirements to reduce their energy and water consumption, minimize paper and other wastes, and utilize environmentally preferable products. We encourage the community to support these businesses in their efforts.

The following businesses and organizations will be recognized at the October 23, 2012 afternoon City Council meeting:

- **Santa Cruz Dream Inn**, the first hotel to be certified as a "Green Business" in the City of Santa Cruz;
- **Scott's Body Shop**, the first auto body shop to be certified as a "Green Business" in the City;
- **Backcountry Medical Guides**
- **Estriatus Law**, the first law office to be certified as a "Green Business" in the City;
- **White Lotus Wellness Center**
- **Wingstop**
- **Shattuck Applied Research and Evaluation**
- **Familia Center**

If you have any questions, please call Agnes Topp, Green Business Coordinator, at 420-5423.

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