

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION TO COMMEMORATE AGRICULTURE DAY AND WEEK IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, National Agriculture Week is celebrated every year to honor the agriculture industry for providing safe, abundant and affordable products, a strong economy, a source of renewable energy, and a world of job opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County farmers and ranchers build on generations of success by remaining true to their history while also pursuing advances in production, technology, science, research and marketing to meet the demands of a growing world population and a complex global market; and

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County farmers and ranchers help to feed the world; and

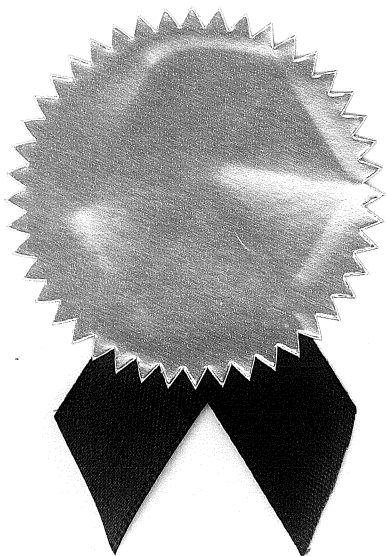
WHEREAS, the agriculture industry is the largest employer in Santa Barbara County, providing over 25,000 on-farm jobs, including administrative and professional staff, in addition to, employment for harvesters, irrigators, crew leaders, truck drivers, scientists, researchers, pest control and fertilizer advisors, processors, shippers, brokers and retailers; and

WHEREAS, the stewardship of agricultural lands conserves the culture and history of Santa Barbara County, preserves the natural beauty and open spaces, and ensures a sustainable resource base for future generations; and so therefore

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors recognizes the contributions and honors the achievements of farmers, ranchers and tens of thousands of workers involved in jobs relating to Santa Barbara County agriculture, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED and hereby ordered, that March 21, 2017, be proclaimed National Agriculture Day and March 19-25, 2017, be proclaimed National Agriculture Week in Santa Barbara County and encourage members of the public to participate in activities that acknowledge and celebrate the achievements of the men and women who work throughout the year in state's number-one industry.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 21st day of March 2017, by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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