



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR VICTOR TOGNAZZINI UPON HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO AGRICULTURE

WHEREAS, Victor Tognazzini was born in the Santa Maria Valley and enjoyed the summers of his youth on the family ranch in the Cuyama Valley raising dry-land wheat and;

WHEREAS, After graduating from Arizona State University at the age of 18 with a degree in Political Science, Victor received his Master's Degree in International Political Relations through an overseas program from University of Maryland while serving 8 years active duty in the United States Army and;

WHEREAS, Victor's first job as a civilian began simply shoveling ice into broccoli cartons but his dedication and hard work proved invaluable as he moved up through the ranks in different companies and found himself as the General Manager of two sheds for a large Salinas based grower-shipper, and;

WHEREAS, Victor has spent hours upon hours of his time serving the community on numerous boards and committees such as the SBC Farm Bureau, California Leafy Greens Advisory Board, California Farm Bureau Federation – representing both Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties, SBC Agricultural Advisory Committee, Labor and Commodity Advisory Committees, SBC Food Bank, Santa Maria Joint Union High School District, SBC Fire Board of Appeals, and the Orcutt Children's Art Foundation – all while taking on roles such as a *Chairman, Member, Director, Secretary, President*, and even as a *Founding Member* and;

WHEREAS, Victor's past contributions continue to help others through his printed publications, through his early work with environmental activist communities by laying the foundation for the Ag Futures Alliance, and his informed advice which has been requested by county supervisors, planning commissioners, schools, service clubs and numerous organizations and;

WHEREAS, Victor Tognazzini, through his expertise in the field of agriculture, enhanced the knowledge of thousands within the industry and relayed his passion and certainty of the significant role agriculture will have on the economic and social vitality of the County of Santa Barbara;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors commends *Victor Tognazzini* for the extraordinary achievements, contributions, and strides he has personally and directly been a part of within the agricultural industry and wishes him the best as he relocates and enjoys his new adventures living in Wyoming.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 8th day of September 2015 by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Monique Sato
Clerk of the Board

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