



April 26, 2024

Jose Chang, Agriculture Commissioner
County of Santa Barbara
624 West Foster Road
Santa Maria, CA 93455

Dear Mr. Chang:

I am writing regarding the appointment of Mike Testa to the Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC), representing the Santa Barbara County wine industry.

Mr. Testa is one of the owners of [Coastal Vineyard Care](#) and his experience in agriculture and grape growing would be an asset to the AAC.

Mr. Testa is a member of the Board of Directors of the Santa Barbara Vintners, and he is thoughtful, balanced, and collaborative in his engagement.

Here is a brief biography of Mr. Testa:

Mike graduated from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo with a dual major in Business Marketing and Wine Business. He earned his MBA from Arizona State University, is a graduate of the California Ag Leadership Program, and currently serves as a Director for the California Association of Winegrape Growers. Mr. Testa has extensive experience in grape sales, and has fostered a strong relationship with hundreds of winemakers across California.

I appreciate your consideration Mr. Testa for a position on the AAC. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alison Laslett", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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