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Please see attached a letter from the Ag Advisory Committee to the Board of Supervisors and please let me know if you have any questions.

Also, can you please reply to let me know you received this email.

Thank you.

-Mel



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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

12/2/24

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara
105 East Anapamu
Santa Barbara CA 93101

RE: Farmworker Wage Increase and living Conditions AD-Hoc Subcommittee

Dear Supervisors Williams and Hartmann,

The Agricultural Advisory Committee has been keeping a close eye on the Farmworker Wage and Living Conditions Temporary Ad Hoc Advisory Committee that you created. We have formed our own Ad Hoc Subcommittee and believe we can provide valuable insight regarding this issue. We believe we are all pushing toward the same goal but also understand the fragile ecosystem that is California agriculture. We would like to meet in person or via zoom to brainstorm and provide as much support and context as you need. Thank you for your time and careful consideration on this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. Van Leer", is written over a horizontal line.

Paul Van Leer, Chair

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