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Hello Board of Supervisors,

My name is Abigail Cruz, I'm an attorney with Legal Aid at Work. I work with farmworkers in the Central Coast including those that live in the County of Santa Barbara. Farmworkers in the Central Coast do essential backbreaking labor for wages that are too low to afford the cost of living in this area. This impacts thousands of families who are unable to afford secure and quality housing, childcare, food, and healthcare. Workers in many sectors throughout the nation are fighting for livable wages and farmworkers deserve the same. I urge you to please add the farmworker living wage ordinance to the September agenda and listen to the voices that put food on our tables every day. Thank you.

Best,

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