

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE CALIFORNIA CUT FLOWER COMMISSION

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WHEREAS, California's cut flower industry dates back to the late 1870s, when Theodosia Shepherd was inspired to sell Calla Lilies grown in her garden; and

WHEREAS, the California Cut Flower Commission was signed into law as a state agency by Governor George Deukmejian in 1990 to serve the flower farmers of California; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the California Cut Flower Commission is to provide a unified effort by farmers to enhance the performance of the California cut flower and foliage industry; and

WHEREAS, the California Cut Flower Commission represents approximately 701 million square feet of greenhouse and field production of cut flowers and greens and over 200 flower farmers from San Diego to the Oregon border; and

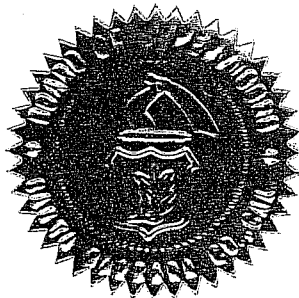
WHEREAS, the economic activity of cut flower farmers creates over 4,500 jobs and helps to contribute to a \$12.2 billion economic impact by the floral industry in California; and

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County's flower farmers represent the most valuable cut flower production in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the California Cut Flower Commission has been a reliable resource, advocate and promoter of California Grown Flowers throughout the country and throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors the California Cut Flower Commission, its leadership and the flower farmers of California on the Commission's 25th anniversary and further commends them for their continued leadership on behalf of our Santa Barbara County flower farmers.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 8th day of December, 2015, by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Monroe Hays
Clerk of the Board

Steve Lopez

Supervisor - 1st District

Janet Whit

Supervisor - 2nd District

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Supervisor - 3rd District

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