## Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors Proclamation

RECOGNIZING THE STAFF OF THE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER'S DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has established an employee recognition program to publicly show support to employees for their outstanding efforts on behalf of the residents of the County of Santa Cruz; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 our community was faced with monumental challenges including the COVID-19 global pandemic, as well as the CZU Lightning Complex fires; and

WHEREAS, each County Department employee deserves recognition for their dedication to continue providing uninterrupted services to the public and in many cases support our local residents during this time as Disaster Service Workers; and

WHEREAS, staff in the Agricultural Commissioner's Department quickly formulated a plan for rapid deployment of much needed protective equipment in the Spring of 2020 as agriculture production in our region got underway and protective equipment was difficult to find; and

WHEREAS, staff organized the delivery of COVID-19 protective supplies and distributed information regarding access to COVID-19 testing, food resources, and rental assistance to farmworker housing locations in South County including the Buena Vista Migrant Center; and

WHEREAS, staff went out of their way to prioritize delivery of these protective supplies while continuing to complete their regular work assignments and on several occasions, this meant working long days, and working on weekends which staff did without hesitation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bruce McPherson, Chair of the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors, hereby honor and recognize the staff of the Agricultural Commissioner's Department for their dedicated service on behalf of the County of Santa Cruz.



Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

February 23, 2021

Date