Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the County of Monterey, State of California

Resolution No.

Adopt a resolution honoring **Dennis Caprara** upon his posthumous selection as the recipient of the **2022 E.E. Gene Harden Award for Lifetime Achievement in Central Coast Agriculture**

WHEREAS, Dennis Caprara was a revered industry leader and farmer in the Salinas Valley and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Caprara attended Gonzales Elementary and was a proud Gonzales High School Graduate who was active in 4-H and FFA, where he found his passion for agriculture; and

WHEREAS, during summer and after school, **Dennis Caprara** spent his time working on many farms in Gonzales, California where he learned to do various jobs from working the ground, planting, irrigating, harvesting, and shop work; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Caprara and Sonny Rianda started RC Farms in 1971 and RC Packing in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Caprara was considered a role model by many, known as a professor to some, and always gave his time and knowledge to everyone; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Caprara was past Chairman of the Grower-Shipper Vegetable Association, as well as past Director of the Salinas Valley River Coalition; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Caprara received many honors and awards, such as: CSUMB Distinguished Fellow-Ag Businessman of the Year, Salinas Area Chamber of Commerce Agriculture Leadership Award, and Future Farmers of America Honorary Chapter Farmer; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Caprara is truly missed and was an incredible leader in the produce industry whose significant contributions to agriculture for over seven decades is being recognized by the Grower Shipper Association by being awarded the organizations highest honor, the 2022 E.E. Gene Harden Award for Lifetime Achievement in Central Coast Agriculture.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Monterey, Board of Supervisors on behalf of the County and all of its residents thereof, hereby acknowledges, and honors the legacy of **Dennis Caprara** as the recipient of the **2022 E.E. Gene Harden Award for Lifetime Achievement.**

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this __ day of ___ 2022, upon motion of Supervisor ____ by

the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Valeria Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book_____ for the meeting on ______.

Dated:

Valeria Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

County of Monterey, State of California

By_____

Deputy