

RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 25-077

Adopt a resolution commending Labor Leader **Pete Maturino** on his retirement after 50 Years of dedicated service representing Agricultural Workers and members of United Food and Commercial Workers, Local 5

WHEREAS, In 1972, Pete Maturino was employed by the Teamsters Union as a Union Representative and Organizer. He later transitioned into working with the Independent Union of Agricultural Workers (IUAW); and

WHEREAS, Pete Maturino was elected to served as President of the Independent Union of Agricultural Workers for ten years until the IUAW merged with the United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW) Local 1096, which also included the Packing Shed Workers of America, Fresh Fruit, Vegetable Workers Local P-78 A and B; and

WHEREAS, Pete Maturino became President of UFCW Local 1096 which later merged into what is now UFCW Local 5; and

WHEREAS, Today, UFCW Local 5 represents over 3,000 agricultural employees in California and Arizona; and

WHEREAS, UFCW Local 5's workforce includes jobs from the irrigator, tractor drivers, vegetable harvesters in the fields, packing house workers, and clerical workers in the Ag coolers, among others; and

WHEREAS, Pete Maturino's responsibilities included administration of collective bargaining agreements between the Union and agricultural employers in California and Arizona, administration of contracts including servicing and negotiations of these contracts, filing of election petitions and unfair labor practice charges with the Agricultural Labor Relations Board (ALRB) and the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) from start to finish; and

WHEREAS, Pete Maturino was more than just a hard worker, he was a great labor leader, mentor, a friend and a true advocate for the rights and well-being of thousands of agricultural workers in the Salinas and Yuma Valleys. After a lifetime of exemplary leadership, Pete Maturino happily retired in January 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all residents thereof, commends and thanks UFCW Local 5 labor leader **Pete Maturino** for his 50 years of dedicated service representing thousands of agricultural workers and their families in California and Arizona, and improving their lives. We wish him success, good health, and happiness in his retirement and all his future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 18th day of March 2025

Chair Supervisor Chris Lopez

Vice Chair Supervisor Wendy Root Askew

Supervisor Glenn Church

Supervisor Luis A. Alejo

Supervisor Kate Daniels