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Attn: Julie Dodson, Agent
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November 15, 2019

Re: Linda S. De Santiago, Trustee of the Linda S. De Santiago Living Trust, created under an agreement dated December 21, 1998 Application for a Farmland Security Zone (FSZ) and FSZ Contract No. 2020-009

Dear Linda S. De Santiago:

The Monterey County Agricultural Preservation Review Committee is prepared to present your request for continuance of your application for a Farmland Security Zone (FSZ) and Contract to the 2021 round of applications. A continuance, if approved by the Board, will preserve the application fee which was originally submitted to the County with your FSZ application No. 2015-003 on September 15, 2014.

As previously communicated in prior correspondence regarding the subject application for an FSZ, the subject property (Assessor's Parcel Number [APN] 165-101-008-000) is not predominantly prime agricultural land as defined in Government Code Section 51201(c) nor designated on the Important Farmland Series Maps prepared pursuant to Government Code Section 65570 as predominantly one or more of the following (1) prime farmland, (2) farmland of statewide significance, (3) unique farmland or (4) farmland of local importance and as set forth in Section 11.e. Prime Agricultural Land of Monterey County Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 01-486 (Amending Procedure for the Creation of Farmland Security Zones and Contracts).

APN 165-101-006-000 is not presently a legal lot of record. The legal description submitted with your FSZ application describes both APN 165-101-006-000 and APN 165-101-008-000. County records indicate the property which is the subject of APN 165-101-006-000 was never separately conveyed nor described. Further, the property which was the subject of your original FSZ Application (now FSZ Application No. 2020-009) is also the subject of an application for a four (4) lot subdivision pursuant to Planning File No. PLN030214 for which a tentative map was approved and for which condition compliance is still pending. Per Monterey County Resource Management Agency – Planning staff, a request for an extension of the approved tentative map was timely made and condition compliance is pending.

The Committee will present your request for a continuance of your application for an FSZ to the Board of Supervisors. Your request will be considered at a Public Hearing before the Board of Supervisors on **Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.** at the Board of Supervisors Chambers, 168 W. Alisal Street, First Floor, Salinas, California at which time, you will have an opportunity to address the Board regarding your request for a continuance of your FSZ application.

Sincerely,

Leslie J. Girard, County Counsel

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