

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

**Resolution No.**

Resolution honoring **Tony Costa** upon his selection as the )  
2012 Grower-Shipper Association's E.E. "Gene" Harden Award )  
recipient for Lifetime Achievement in Central Coast Agriculture..... )

**WHEREAS, Tony Costa** was born in Wakefield, Massachusetts and is the oldest of seven children, he arrived in California on a train with his aunt and uncle when he was eleven years old and settled in Los Banos where he grew up milking cows; and

**WHEREAS, Tony Costa** graduated from Los Banos High School, shortly thereafter he served in the Korean War and came to the City of Salinas upon his return from service; and

**WHEREAS, Tony Costa** and his wife Elsie started Costa Family Farms in Soledad, California in 1956; their farming business now involves three generations of family members, including their children David, Michael, Diane, and JoAnn, who are joined by their grandchildren Colby Rubbo and Peter Dossche; and

**WHEREAS, Tony Costa** still farms the original ranch that he leased for many years, the family's farming business now includes year-round harvest operations, field to cooler trucking, joint ventures in Huron, Yuma and the Imperial Valley, and maintains crops and partnership interests in cooling and processing operations throughout the western United States and;

**WHEREAS, Tony Costa** and his family have dedicated themselves to being quality growers of more than twenty different crops in the Salinas Valley, they have a stable land base of leased and owned ground in strategic locations in the Valley, and have been a key supplier to several shippers and processors in the area for many years; and

**WHEREAS, Tony Costa** believes in working hard, taking satisfaction in an honest day's work and a job well done, never saying never, doing business with good and honest people, doing what's right, and making sure that a handshake is your word, it is these principles that have guided him to be a true tireless and selfless voice for agriculture and the community; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the County and all citizens thereof, congratulates **Tony Costa upon his selection as the 2012 Grower-Shipper Association's E.E. "Gene" Harden Award recipient for Lifetime Achievement in Central Coast Agriculture** and for his contributions to the agriculture industry and wishes him continued success in all of his future endeavors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012, upon the motion of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:

I, Gail Borkowski, Clerk to 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 at page \_\_\_\_ of Minute Book \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_.

Dated:

Gail Borkowski, Clerk to the Board of  
Supervisors, County of Monterey,  
State of California.

By \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy