

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

**Resolution No.:**

Adopt Resolution honoring **Ed Boutonnet** as the recipient       )  
of the 2018 Grower-Shipper's E.E. "Gene" Harden Award.....)

**WHEREAS, Ed Boutonnet** is a lifelong resident of Monterey County, born in Carmel, and graduated from Marina Grade School and Monterey High School; and

**WHEREAS,** after graduating from high school, Ed joined the U.S. Army. He spent six months in active duty and three years in the Army Reserves; and

**WHEREAS, Ed Boutonnet** received a Bachelor of Science degree in Crop Science from California State Polytechnic University San Luis Obispo and a Master of Science degree in Vegetable Crops and Soil Science from Cornell University; and

**WHEREAS, Ed Boutonnet** was a Kellogg Fellow in the prestigious California Agricultural Leadership Program of the Agricultural Education Foundation; and

**WHEREAS, Ed Boutonnet** joined Ocean Mist Farms in 1970 and served as President and CEO from 1990 to 2015 where he helped lead the company from an Artichoke, Broccoli and Brussel's Sprouts shipper to one of the country's major vegetable grower/shippers and the largest Artichoke grower/shipper in North America. He continues to play an active role in the company and currently serves as a Board of Director; and

**WHEREAS, Ed Boutonnet** has been a prominent leader in agriculture and his community all his professional life. He is a current Board member of the Cal Poly College of Agriculture's Dean's Advisory Council, current Board member of the Elkhorn Slough Foundation, a national estuarine research foundation, past Board member of the Monterey Agricultural and Historical Land Conservancy, Inc., and past Board member of Rabobank, N.A. He has been both Board member and Chairman of the California Artichoke Advisory Board, the Artichoke Research Association, and the Castroville Agricultural Water Coalition; and

**WHEREAS, Ed Boutonnet** was a long time Board member of the Grower-Shipper Association of Central California and served as the Association's Chairman of the Board 1989-1990; and

**WHEREAS, Ed Boutonnet** has been honored for his leadership and dedication service including, but not limited to: California Agriculture Education Foundation "Award of Excellence", Cal Poly "Distinguished Agriculturalist Award", CSU Monterey Bay "Distinguished Fellows Award" and Cal Poly College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences "Honored Alumnus"; and

**WHEREAS, Ed Boutonnet,** is an incredible leader in the produce industry whose significant and lasting contributions of agriculture has been recognized by the Grower-Shipper Association

by his being awarded the organization's highest honor, the E.E. "Gene" Harden Award for Lifetime Achievement in Central Coast Agriculture.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors of Monterey County, on behalf of the County and all its citizens thereof, acknowledges and recognizes **Ed Boutonnet** for his contributions to the Salinas Valley community and Monterey County, and passes this resolution acknowledging his being honored as the recipient of the 2018 Grower-Shipper's E.E. "Gene" Harden Award.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018 by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Valerie Roberts, 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

Valerie Roberts, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Monterey, State of California

By \_\_\_\_\_  
, Deputy