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Professional Experience for John R. Baillie

Monterey County Board of Supervisors

1983-Present

Jack T. Baillie Co., Inc

Tri-Counties Packing Company

Salinas, California

Vice-President & General Manager

1997-2012

Baillie Family Farms LLC

Spreckels, California

Owner & President

I started with the Jack T. Baillie Co. in 1983 working the sales desk. Worked my way up to be production supervisor over seeing 12,000 acres between Salinas, Bakersfield, Oxnard and Yuma.

I worked with growers on growing contracts in the Salinas Valley and Pajaro district. The company quit the growing business in 1992 but continued shipping through a sister company, Tri-Counties Packing. I started a small farming operation with my brother in 1997 that did contract growing Taylor Farms. I split my time doing sales and packing at Tri-Counties and helping over see the farming operations. At that time I started attending Monterey County Water Resource Agency meetings. Named to the Reservoir Operations Committee. I have been attending Res-op and other committee meetings since.

Today the Jack T. Baillie Co., Inc. leases their property in Monterey and Kern counties to other growers. I oversee all leases and stay in contact with the lessees. I have developed long relationships with land owners and growers throughout the produce industry.

The only association the Jack T. Baillie is a member is United Fresh Produce, Washington D.C.

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June 14, 2018

Monterey County Board of Supervisors Attn: Chair, Luis Alejo 168 W. Alisal Street Salinas, CA 93901

RE: Water Resources Agency Board of Directors Meeting, June 19, 2018, Item 1.

Dear Chair Alejo:

This letter is in support of my nomination to represent the Agricultural Advisory Committee on the Water Resources Agency (WRA) Board of Directors.

Monterey County has been home to my family's farming business for five generations. My family farmed from Watsonville to San Ardo and still have leases.

At both state and local levels, I am actively involved in many committees and farming organizations. I have been described as having a fair and moderate voice as well as a common-sense approach to the concerns of the agriculture community. Some of the organizations with which I have been involved are:

- Monterey County Agricultural Advisory Committee (Original Member)
- WRA Agriculture Committee (Past Chairman)
- California Farm Bureau (Past Director)
- Monterey County Farm Bureau (Past President)
- California Rodeo Association (Past President)
- Artichoke Research Board
- Salinas River Channel Coalition (Past Chairman)
- Monterey County Agricultural Education (Past Vice President)
- Ag Water Committee, Region 3 Water Board (Past Chairman)

Several years ago, I was honored by the California Farm Bureau as California Distinguished Farmer of the Year, in addition, I was the recipient of Monterey County Agricultural Education's Golden Tractor Award.

It is my desire to continue serving and protecting the agriculture community by representing the Agricultural Advisory Committee on the WRA Board of Directors.

Sincerely.

Benny Jefferson Partner/Owner