



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: October 22, 2024

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

4/5 Vote Required

Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,

Honors and Congratulates Tim Tesconi as Sonoma County Harvest Fair

2024 Lifetime Contribution to Sonoma County Agriculture Award Recipient

Whereas, the Sonoma County Harvest Fair, created in 1975, is a signature nationally and locally recognized event showcasing the extraordinary wine, food and agriculture in Sonoma County bringing people to the region to celebrate the harvest season; and

Whereas, annually the Sonoma County Harvest Fair honors outstanding members of the Sonoma County agricultural community to be recognized for their contributions to the preservation and enhancement of farming in Sonoma County; and

Whereas, Tim Tesconi a third generation Sonoma County resident, having deep roots in agriculture and the community where his family has called home for more than a century; and

Whereas, Tesconi holds an agriculture degree from California State University, Chico, and post-graduate work in agriculture journalism from the University of Missouri, Columbia; and

Whereas, Tesconi spent 35 years covering agriculture, fairs and farm youth as the Press Democrat's farm editor; and

Whereas, In 2006, Tesconi transitioned to the Sonoma County Farm Bureau to write and edit the Sonoma-Marin Farm News which he continues to contribute to as a guest writer; and

Whereas, Tesconi served as the executive director of the Farm Bureau for three years, retiring in 2015; and

Whereas, Tesconi serves on the boards of several agricultural and community organizations including: the Youth Ag & Leadership Foundation of Sonoma County, Santa Rosa Junior College Ag Alliance, the Santa Rosa High School Ag Advisory Committee, past director of the Sonoma County Farm Trails and serves as a trustee on the Richard and Saralee McClelland Kunde Endowment that provides grants to support agriculture, fairs, 4-H and FFA; and

Whereas, Tim Tesconi has spent the last 50 years chronicling agriculture's changing but enduring role in Sonoma County's economy and way-of-life.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors does hereby honor and congratulate Tim Tesconi, the Sonoma County Harvest Fair's 2024 Lifetime Contribution to Sonoma County Agriculture Award recipient.

Supervisors:

Gorin: Rabbitt: Coursey: Gore: Hopkins:
Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

So Ordered.