



# County of Sonoma

## State of California

Date: July 11, 2024

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution Number: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ 4/5 Vote Required

### **Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California, Honoring and Congratulating Sam Dolcini, Friend of Sonoma County Farm Bureau 2024**

**Whereas**, Sonoma County Farm Bureau was established in 1917 with the mission of uniting voices to protect agriculture in Sonoma County for future generations; and

**Whereas**, the annual Sonoma County Farm Bureau Love of the Land is a mid-summer celebration honoring agricultural award winners who are leading the way to preserve Sonoma County's rich farming heritage; and

**Whereas**, Sam Dolcini, a fifth generation Marin County agriculturist is being honored for his tireless crusade to support and promote agriculture in Sonoma and Marin Counties, as the Friend of Farm Bureau, which recognizes an individual or business making significant contributions to the organization and its work in keeping agriculture viable; and

**Whereas**, Sam Dolcini's service to the community spans a wide variety of activities including auctioneering at local fund raisers, mentoring young farmers and professionals, serving as an Eagle Scout, being politically active and engaged, and leading agriculture conservation efforts in the North Bay; and

**Whereas**, with ranching roots dating back to the 1850's, Sam Dolcini has been shaped by his family's love for their land and the ranching lessons passed down through the generations. He is a dedicated son, who continues to care for his parents, both 95 years young, that continue to live at the family ranch in West Marin; and

**Whereas,** Sam a rancher and businessman, known throughout the North Bay and beyond for his wit, wisdom and dedication to agriculture and his community is an alumni of Santa Rosa Junior College and Fresno State University; and

**Whereas,** Sam has been a Board of Director for Marin Agriculture Land Trust for 17 years, was the first second-generational rancher elected to the board and went on to serve as board president, the youngest to ever hold that position; and

**Whereas,** Sam has been an member of the Farm Bureau for 30 year, served as a director of the Marin County Farm Bureau- serving as president; Sam has lead and reinvigorated the Young Farmers and Ranchers and went on to win a State title (2000) and National title (2001) for Young Farmers and Ranchers Discussion Meet; and

**Whereas,** a cowboy poet and polished public presenter, Sam's quips and quotes have notably made national news publication and helped to elevate the voice and story of the American farmer and rancher.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors does hereby honor and congratulate Sam Dolcini, the Sonoma County Farm Bureau 2024 Friend of Farm Bureau.

**Supervisors:**

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Coursey:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

**So Ordered.**