



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 The Weber Family Farm
Sonoma County Farm Bureau's 2024 Luther Burbank Conservation Award recipient**

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, Scott and Mike Weber's land stewardship, conservation and environmental ethic have earned them Sonoma County Farm Bureau's 2024 Luther Burbank Conservation Award, an award that annually recognizes an individual, business or family making extraordinary efforts to balance economic viability with environmental stewardship as part of the county's multi-billion-dollar farming industry; and

Whereas, the Weber brothers' follow in the footsteps of their late father, Richard Weber in the poultry business that has been operating for over 112 years in Sonoma County; and

Whereas, the carbon footprint of each dozen eggs the Weber farm produces is smaller than over 99% of the farms across the country; and

Whereas, utilizing the power of the sun with nearly 2,500 solar panels, the farm

generates power to energize chicken houses and egg processing facility, the manure drying systems and the manure milling system that creates the highly sought after pellets used to fertilize local food production; and

Whereas, the Weber's have invested \$3.5 million in environmentally beneficial equipment which helps make them a leader in conservation and support their overall goal to deliver fresh, nutritional and sustainable eggs to markets within 48 hours of being laid by farm hens; and

Whereas, every day the Weber's are strategically positioning their historic poultry farm to be around for the next generation, adhering to technological efficiencies and an environmental ethic consistent with being a farmer on the urban edge of the San Francisco metropolitan area.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors does hereby honor and congratulate the Weber Family Farm, the Sonoma County Farm Bureau's 2024 Luther Burbank Conservation Award recipient.

Supervisors:

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Coursey:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.