



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 Carnalli Family
Sonoma County Farm Bureau 2024 Farm Family of the Year**

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, the multi-generational Carinalli Family is the Sonoma County Farm Bureau 2024 Farm Family of the Year; a modern-day farm family stewarding the land for past 100 years; and

Whereas, the Carinalli Family has navigated the challenging business of sustaining a family agriculture operation with innovation and diversification under the leadership of second-generation farmers Domenic and Lynda; and

Whereas, the Carinalli Family farm found its beginning in 1924 when Domenic's father, Domenico Carinalli, an Italian immigrant and his wife Evelina began the legacy as a milk cow and poultry operation; in 1946 450 acres on Gravenstein Highway was purchased and became the hub of the farming operation; and

Whereas, the Carinalli Family realized in 1996 the need to diversify the operation adding prized winegrapes (chardonnay, pinot noir and pinot grigio), a wine label (D&L Carinalli Vineyards), conservation easement and vernal pool preservation project to the portfolio; and

Whereas, long time Sonoma County Farm Bureau members, the Carinalli Family are farmers and ranchers foremost with a farmer's dedication to family, land, and the community. Domenic has served as a director of the Farm Bureau since 1968 serving as president in 1987-88; Domenic has represented area farmers and ranchers as a director on the California Farm Bureau Federation Board, California Milk Advisory Board, Dairy Council of California, Guernsey Cattle Club and Sonoma County Winegrape Commission; and

Whereas, the Carinalli's 100 years as multi-generational farmers is a rarity for a family business, a legacy that will continue with Domenic and Lynda's three daughters – Ann, Gina and Diane- and seven grandchildren who strive to do their part to protect agricultural land in Sonoma County.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors does hereby honor and congratulate the Carinalli Family, the Sonoma County Farm Bureau 2024 Farm Family of the Year.

Supervisors:

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Coursey:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.