



County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: November 1, 2022

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

☐ 4/5 Vote Required

**Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California,
Honoring and Acknowledging Bev Palm for Twenty-One Years of Exemplary Service as a
Director on the Sonoma County Fair and Exposition Board**

Whereas, Bev Palm was first appointed as a Director to the Sonoma County Fair and Exposition Board by then Supervisor Mike Kerns, and continued to represent the Second District under Supervisor David Rabbitt serving as Fair Board President in 2009 - 2010; and

Whereas, during Ms. Palm's distinguished tenure on the Board she experienced many changes and challenges - she worked with four General Managers, and two Interim Managers, and helped navigate the difficult financial times of operating a Fair and public facility during the COVID 19 pandemic; and

Whereas, Ms. Palm's actions as Director were guided by her deep respect for the Sonoma County agricultural traditions which the Sonoma County Fair fosters and showcases, as well as toward increasing opportunities for youth in the fair. As a long-time member of the Ag Committee, Ms. Palm tirelessly involved herself in the junior livestock auction and exhibit programs - where she was a junior livestock auctioneer and equine announcer – worked to expand the equestrian events, worked toward creation of the horse advisory committee, and served as an advocate and judge for the flower show youth scholarship program; and

Whereas, Ms. Palm did not confine her involvement to the setting of policy, but volunteered her time and talents to the activities of the fair, assisting with the annual horse show, serving

on the selection committee for the outstanding person in the horse industry, coordinating and working at the Farmers Day Breakfasts, promoting Hat Day, Farmers Day, instituting and assisting with cattle drives, introducing the Rodeo Queen Contest, working to keep and promote the PCRA rodeo during the fair, and helping to develop the Miss Wine Country Rodeo program, and

Whereas, Among the committees on which Ms. Palm served during her twenty-one years are included the Building and Grounds Committee, Competitive Exhibits, Agriculture and Education Committee and the Fair Operations Committees, on these committees and more, Ms. Palm's service was distinguished by dedication, enthusiasm, and a heartfelt love for all that is most important in the long time agricultural tradition of Sonoma County.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors does hereby honor and acknowledge Bev Palm for twenty-one years of exemplary service as a Board Member of the Sonoma County Fair and Exposition Board.

Be It Further Resolved that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors sincerely thanks Ms. Palm for her continued involvement in the Sonoma County Fair as an Honorary Fair Board Member.

Supervisors:

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Coursey:

Hopkins:

Gore:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.