

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA RESOLUTION HONORING AND CONGRATULATING

Louie Iacopi – Iacopi Farm

Upon Receiving the Farmer of the Year Award

WHEREAS, Louie Iacopi was born in Santa Cruz of parents, Mike and Vanda, who had emigrated from Italy through Ellis Island, settling in Pescadero, and were also the first of the farmers recognized at the Mel Mello Farm Day Luncheon; and

WHEREAS, Louie Iacopi was raised in Pescadero, on Cascade Ranch, graduated from Half Moon Bay High School and went on to Cal Poly, studying Agricultural Science; and

WHEREAS, Louie Iacopi moved to Half Moon Bay in 1962 after finding his dream ranch of 200 acres, and was joined by his parents and Sister Norma, in working the ranch; and

WHEREAS, Louie Iacopi married Irene Tori of Santa Cruz and they had three sons, Steven, Peter and Mike; and

WHEREAS, Louie Iacopi grew English Peas, Sugar Snap Peas, garlic, artichokes, various greens and green and dry beans, some of the beans are from his parent's original stock when they come to Pescadero; and

WHEREAS, Louie Iacopi currently farms 200 acres on 5 different sites on the Coastside, still growing peas, fava beans and Italian Butter Beans to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Louie Iacopi has been active in all the local Farmers Markets in the Bay area for over 35 years, continually promoting farm produce to the consumer and also grocery stores and restaurants; and

WHEREAS, Louie Iacopi continues to help any farmers if they need anything, promotes education of the Farmer to the Consumer, with Get Fresh and is an active member of the San Mateo County Farm Bureau; and

WHEREAS, Louie Iacopi enjoys walking, biking and can be seen driving one of his 3 old cars around and is respected by his fellow farmers and other members of the farming community and truly loved by his family and friends.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County hereby congratulates **Louie Iacopi of Iacopi Farm** upon receiving the **Farmer of the Year Award** from the Half Moon Bay Coastside Chamber of Commerce and Visitors' Bureau for all that he has given to his community and as tribute to the admiration and love given him by his family and friends.

Dated: April 1, 2016

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