

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



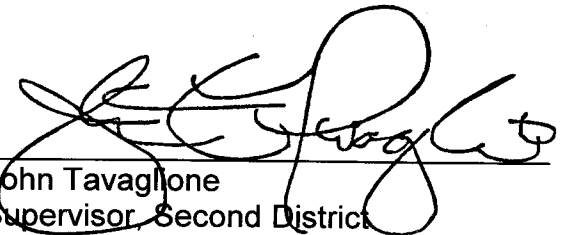
FROM: Supervisor John Tavaglione

SUBMITTAL DATE: February 25, 2014

SUBJECT: Agricultural Education Incentive Grant

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors adopt Resolution No. 2014-065 in support of the Agricultural Education Incentive Grant fund in California and direct the Clerk of the Board to mail Resolution No. 2014-065 to Governor Jerry Brown's office for his consideration on this very important grant.

BACKGROUND: The Agriculture Incentive Grant fund is an incentive program that is available to school districts to providing quality career technical education programs in the Agriculture and Natural Resources industry sectors. The funding from this program is utilized for numerous Future Farmers of America (FFA) programs which have proven to be an outstanding teaching strategy that promotes excellence in agriculture education for students throughout the state. Without the Agriculture Incentive Grant, thirteen FFA programs in Riverside County alone will be affected and over three hundred and ten programs state-wide will lose a significant source of funds which will put them in jeopardy.



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Supervisor, Second District

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2014-065**

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4 **In Support of the California State**
5 **Agricultural Education Incentive Grant Program**

6 **WHEREAS**, California's reputation for leadership in a variety of innovative and expanding
7 agricultural industries has been made possible through the availability of well-trained and
8 educated personnel; and

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11 **WHEREAS**, California, being the leading agriculture-producing state in the nation for over
12 60 years, has a compelling interest in ensuring that its' school system supports and promotes
13 the continued development of innovative and thoughtful agricultural leaders; and

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15 **WHEREAS**, The Agricultural Education Incentive Grant program has given clear
16 guidance and direction to school districts throughout California in developing and promoting
17 high-quality program standards; and

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20 **WHEREAS**, The Agricultural Incentive Grant program has provided financial incentives
21 for districts to embark on a systematic and sustained process for improving the delivery and
22 effectiveness of Agricultural Education throughout California; and

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25 **WHEREAS**, The Future Farmers of America organization, which is integral to high school
26 instruction, has long proven itself as an outstanding teaching strategy that promotes excellence
27 in agriculture education for students throughout California; and

