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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RESOLUTION NO. 2014-065

In Support of the California State Agricultural Education Incentive Grant Program

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

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

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

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

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

1	WHEREAS, The goal of the California Future Farmers of America organization is to
2	teach and promote premier leadership, personal growth and career success among its
3	members; and
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5	WHEREAS, The Future Farmers of America has a long and well-established tradition of
6	providing meaningful, relevant leadership development experiences that have had a positive
7 8	effect on the lives of thousands of students in their communities; and now therefore
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10	DE IT DECOLVED II (III D)
11	BE IT RESOLVED, that the Riverside County Board of Supervisors does hereby
	encourage the Governor and all Members of the California State Legislature to support high-
12	quality Agricultural Education in California through continued funding of the State's Agricultural
14	Education Incentive Grant program.
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16	Passed this 25 TH day of February, 2014.
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19	ROLL CALL: AYES:
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23	COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ATTEST:
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26	Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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