



SACOG Board of Directors

Item #16-6-13
Action

June 9, 2016

Approve Resolution in Memory of Dan Silva

Issue: Should the Board support adoption of a resolution in memory of former Sutter County Supervisor and SACOG board member Dan Silva?

Recommendation: Staff recommends support for the resolution.

Committee Action/Discussion: Dan Silva passed away suddenly on March 26, 2016. The attached resolution was prepared by staff for Board consideration of the lasting legacy of former Sutter County Supervisor Dan Silva's service.

During his service on the SACOG Board of Directors from 2002 through 2008, Silva was a tireless champion and educator on rural and agricultural community issues. In some of the region's most collaborative discussions on water, flood protection, and the agricultural economy, Silva provided unique perspective from his personal experiences as a Sutter County Supervisor and farmer. This resolution recognizes Silva's influence on regional policy and tool development, which are today supporting viability and economic growth of many products within the agriculture and food system in our six-county region.

The proposed resolution (Attachment A) for the SACOG Board's consideration highlights Supervisor Silva's numerous contributions to the region including:

- 1) the collaborative regional flood discussions in 2005-2006,
- 2) the criteria issues and questions for new regional initiatives applied to the Rural-Urban Connections Strategy in 2007, member and shared services in 2012 and likely numerous future initiatives,
- 3) the Rural-Urban Connections Strategy (RUCS) project development,
- 4) the initial RUCS outreach and stakeholder meetings, and
- 5) the 2009 county-by-county agricultural tours.

Staff recommends support of the resolution and continued education about Dan Silva's legacy on rural and agricultural research, policy development, and rural transportation needs in the region.

Approved by:

Mike McKeever
Chief Executive Officer

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Attachment

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SACRAMENTO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

RESOLUTION NO. 39 – 2016

SUPERVISOR DAN SILVA PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE SIX-COUNTY SACOG REGION

WHEREAS, the six-county Sacramento region, encompassing El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba counties and the cities therein, includes some of the highest valued agricultural lands in the world; and

WHEREAS, our agricultural economy succeeds as a region and our individual jurisdictions work together from both rural and urban communities; and

WHEREAS, the agricultural communities in our region have unique transportation needs, land uses, and community planning challenges; and

WHEREAS, the Rural-Urban Connections Strategy (RUCS) championed by Supervisor Silva gathered local data, developed tools, and conducted studies based on the education and policy imperatives; and

WHEREAS, the SACOG Board continues to consider policy imperatives from the 2008 Metropolitan Transportation Plan as the first regional transportation plan to acknowledge the specific needs of agricultural and food system activities throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, Sutter County Supervisor Silva assisted SACOG in deliberately designing the RUCS to include participation from the broadest array of organizations affected or involved in the agricultural economy; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Silva initiated county-by-county agriculture and rural city tours for SACOG and regional leaders to develop shared knowledge and goals; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Silva brought his expertise and passion in flood protection, water availability, agriculture and rural community policy development from Sutter County as a public and private sector leader;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the 2016 Board of Directors that Supervisor Silva's influence continues to be significant in the on-going work to better understand and serve the needs of a region with both rural and urban communities in order to protect the highest quality of life for the residents of the Sacramento six-county region. The Sacramento Area Council of Governments

hereby honors Supervisor Dan Silva for his contributions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this 16th day of June 2016, by the following vote of the Board of Directors:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Susan Rohan
Chair

Mike McKeever
Chief Executive Officer