

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-_____
RESOLUTION OF THE MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ESTABLISHING FARMLAND SECURITY ZONE NO. 17 AND ENTERING INTO A
FARMLAND SECURITY ZONE CONTRACT WITHIN SUCH FARMLAND
SECURITY ZONE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 51296

WHEREAS, the County of Marin desires to preserve its agricultural land base in order to maintain a viable agricultural production economy within the County; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to discourage the premature and unnecessary conversion of agricultural land to urban uses and to enhance the predictability of the future of viable economic agricultural production units in the County for those engaged in agricultural production; and

WHEREAS, the County considers it is in the public interest to encourage the maintenance of a healthy and vibrant agricultural economy in the County and State to ensure adequate healthful and nutritious food for the current residents of the County and State and for generations yet unborn; and

WHEREAS, the County has actively participated in the State's California Land Conservation Act of 1965, known as the Williamson Act (at Chapter 7 of Part 1 of Division 1 of Title 5 commencing with § 51200 of the Government Code); and

WHEREAS, as part of the Williamson Act program, the County has entered into many land conservation contracts with property owners in the County; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to strengthen its agricultural land preservation program by participating in the State's new Farmland Security Zone program enacted by the State Legislature in 1998 at Article 7 commencing with Section 51296 of the Williamson Act which provides, among other things, for a longer contract term than the present rolling ten year term; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of such legislation are on file with the Clerk of the Marin County Board of Supervisors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The County establishes Farmland Security Zone No.17, which encompasses the parcel described in Exhibit A, attached and incorporated by this reference.
2. The Owner(s) of Parcel(s) on Exhibit A, have requested that they and County enter into a Farmland Security Zone contract on the property.
3. The County agrees to enter into the requested Farmland Security Zone Contract subject to the terms and conditions contained therein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held on this ____th day of _____, 2008, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS

NOES:

ABSENT:

PRESIDENT, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

CLERK