RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION'S SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL LANDS CONSERVATION PROGRAM FOR THE BRAZELTON RANCH AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION EASEMENT

Whereas, the Legislature has established the Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program within the Department of Conservation, and through a grant program is providing assistance to conserve important agricultural land resources that are subject to conversion pressures; and

Whereas, the Solano Land Trust and the Brazelton Family intend to conserve and protect those agricultural lands located off of Pleasants Valley and Gates Canyon Roads in Solano County, which will protect 2,200 acres from future rural and municipal development and will only be used for agricultural uses and production, keeping sustainable, viable agricultural lands in Solano County; and

Whereas, the Brazelton Family has taken the opportunity through the placement of an agricultural easement on their property to preserve and keep intact, the Brazelton lands purchased and put together by John McKnight Brazelton and later owned by Eugene and Wallace Brazelton; and

Whereas, the Solano County General Plan establishes a policy for agricultural protection for the purpose of conserving priority agricultural resources; and

Whereas, the Solano County Board of Supervisors supports the easement proposal and certifies that it meets the following criteria set forth in Public Resources Code section 10251:

- (a) The land proposed for conservation is expected to continue to be used for, and is large enough to sustain, commercial agricultural production. The land is also in an area that possesses the necessary market, infrastructure and agricultural support services, and the surrounding parcel sizes and land uses will support long-term commercial agricultural production.
- (b) Solano County has a general plan that demonstrates a long-term commitment to agricultural land conservation. The commitment is reflected in the goals, objectives, policies and implementation measures of the plan, as they relate to the Pleasants/Vaca/Lagoon Valley area of Solano County, where the easement acquisition is proposed.
- (c) Without conservation, the land proposed for protection has the likelihood of having pressure to or can be converted to rural subdivision and or non-agricultural use in the foreseeable future.

Resolved, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors approves the filing of an application for funding for the Brazelton Ranch Agricultural Easement from the California Department of Conservation for a Sustainable Agricultural Lands Conservation Program.

Passed and adopted by the Solano County Board of Supervisors at its regular meeting on May 22, 2018 by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS

NOES: SUPERVISORS

EXCUSED: SUPERVISORS

JOHN M. VASQUEZ, Chair Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk Solano County Board of Supervisors