

Resolution No. 2019 -

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING BEN ESPINOZA FOR HIS ADVOCACY AND COMMITMENT TO BRINGING QUALITY JOBS TO SOLANO COUNTY FOR OVER FOUR DECADES

WHEREAS, Ben Espinoza has served as an advocate for local job creation and worker's rights in Solano County over the course of his forty plus years in the labor industry. First as a cement mason, then through his position as Business Agent for Cement Masons Local 400 and as President of the Napa-Solano Building Trades Council, Mr. Espinoza has dedicated himself to bringing quality jobs to the people of Solano County; and

WHEREAS, working with Solano County staff, elected officials and labor groups throughout the county Mr. Espinoza has successfully negotiated Project Labor Agreements which require local employment and are a useful construction management tool helping projects to be delivered on-time and on-budget; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Espinoza's support and advocacy for apprenticeship programs in Solano County have created a pathway for people to gain certified training offering them entry into the field of skilled labor while producing the highest quality worker who can earn a respectable wage with benefits that allows them to support themselves and their family. There are five training centers in Solano County: Sheet Metal Workers, Carpenters, Plumbers & Steamfitters, Ironworkers and Insulators. These apprenticeship training centers help Solano County residents find meaningful employment; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Espinoza is a pillar of our community, dedicating the remainder of his time to his wife of 35 years and their three children, as well as spearheading volunteer campaigns to help businesses and residents to rebuild and remodel their facilities and homes in times of need. Mr. Espinoza is the recipient of the 2019 Lou Franchimon Lifetime Achievement Award. He is highly respected for his work ethic and passion to deliver new job opportunities and a higher standard of living to Solano County residents.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize Ben Espinoza as a labor leader who has brought quality jobs to Solano County and worked diligently to help increase the quality of life for workers in Solano County.

Dated this 7th day of May, 2019

ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwoman
Solano County Board of Supervisors

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

By: _____
Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk