



# Solano County

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## Legislation Text

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Adopt a resolution recognizing Wooden Valley Winery on their 85th Anniversary

Published Notice Required? Yes ☐ No ☒  
Public Hearing Required? Yes ☐ No ☒

### **DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:**

Supervisor Spring requests that the Board adopt a resolution recognizing Wooden Valley Winery on their 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

### **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

In 1933, Brothers Manuel and Salvador Brea founded Wooden Valley Winery. They named it after the Suisun Valley road where it was located.

In 1944, family friends Mario and Lena Lanza joined Wooden Valley winery. They became the sole owners based on a handshake agreement in 1955.

Their son Richard "Chick" Lanza joined the winery with the vision to have the Suisun Valley recognized as an American Viticulture Area (AVA), leading the original petition effort. On December 27, 1982, Suisun Valley received its appellation, making it the second oldest AVA in California.

Today, the third generation of the Lanza family with sons Rick, Ron, Larry and Ken, their spouses and families, own and operate Wooden Valley Winery, continuing to produce award-winning wines.

The Lanza family was instrumental in the formation of the Suisun Valley Vintners and Growers Association in 2003, with family members continuing to serve on its board.

The Lanza family continues to be a viticultural leader in Suisun Valley with a goal to establish Suisun Valley as a world class wine region.

The resolution will be presented at the official 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration on Saturday, August 11, 2018.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The costs associated with preparing the agenda item is nominal and absorbed by the District 3 FY2018/19 Adopted Budget. The costs associated with preparation and purchase of the resolution materials and plaque are included in the Board's FY2017/18 Adopted Budget.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board may choose not to adopt this resolution. This is not recommended as adopting this resolution provides an opportunity to recognize a local winery family who have been instrumental in the growth and promotion of Suisun Valley viticulture. This type of recognition is in keeping with the values of the Solano County Board of Supervisors.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

None.

**CAO RECOMMENDATION:**

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION