



# City of Woodland

## REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR  
AND CITY COUNCIL

DATE: March 18, 2008

SUBJECT: National Agriculture Week

### **Report in Brief**

Annually since 1995, the City Council has acknowledged National Agriculture Week in the City of Woodland via a Proclamation. This request comes forth on behalf of the Yolo County Farm Bureau and the Woodland Chamber of Commerce.

Staff recommends that the City Council Proclaim the week of March 16 through 22, 2008 as National Agriculture Week and select a Member of Council to attend the March 21 breakfast to present the Proclamation.

### **Background**

Agriculture has been a significant way of life and source of income to this area for decades. Farming was one of the primary occupations for the Yolo County and continues to provide a large part of the food supply to the State. The annual income from agriculture in the County during 2006 was \$370,195,973. By comparison, the chart below shows the fluctuations in the income:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Income Generated</u>
2000	\$302,736,000
2001	\$288,579,000
2002	\$299,781,000
2003	\$304,520,000
2004	\$338,128,000
2005	\$332,720,000

The figures rise and fall comparatively relative to the economy and other factors facing agriculture today.

Each Council Member should have received an invitation to the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Farm City Festival Breakfast on March 21, 2008 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Hotel Woodland. The Farm Bureau would like one of the Council Members to present this Proclamation at this breakfast.

**Recommendation for Action**

Staff recommends that the City Council Proclaim the week of March 16 through 22, 2008 as National Agriculture Week and select a Member of Council to attend the March 21 breakfast to present the Proclamation.

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Enclosure: Proclamation

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## Proclamation

### NATIONAL AGRICULTURE WEEK

**WHEREAS**, agriculture is the Nation's most basic industry and its associated production, processing, and marketing segments together provide more jobs than any other industry; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is also very important to the local economy with Yolo County generating \$370,195,973 in agricultural sales in 2006; and,

**WHEREAS**, American agriculture deserves special recognition for its incredible achievements in feeding, clothing and sheltering the citizens of our country and the world; and,

**WHEREAS**, maintaining a healthy agricultural industry necessitates that all American consumers understand agriculture's effect on their lives and well-being; and,

**WHEREAS**, Spring is an ideal time of year to recognize the contributions of the agricultural industry to the world;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Woodland does hereby proclaim the week of March 16-22, 2008 as **NATIONAL AGRICULTURE WEEK** in the City of Woodland in recognition of the importance of agriculture to our Community.

Dated this 18th day of March, 2008

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David M. Flory, Mayor

Marlin H. Davies, Vice Mayor

William L. Marble, Council Member

Jeff W. Monroe, Council Member

Art Pimentel, Council Member