



# City of Woodland

## REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR  
AND CITY COUNCIL

DATE: March 16, 2010

SUBJECT: National Agriculture Week

### **Report in Brief**

Annually since 1995, the City Council has acknowledged National Agriculture Week in the City of Woodland by issuing a Proclamation. This request is presented by the Yolo County Farm Bureau and the Woodland Chamber of Commerce.

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a Proclamation declaring the week of March 14 through 20, 2010 as the "National Agriculture Week" recognition in the City.

### **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 for the State. The annual income from agriculture in the County during 2008 was \$505,588,750. 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
2006	\$370,195,973
2007	\$453,539,019

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

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**ITEM:**

Each Council Member should have received an invitation to the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Farm City Festival Breakfast on March 17, 2010 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 the breakfast.

**Recommendation for Action**

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Mark G. Deven  
City Manager

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 \$505,588,750 in agricultural sales in 2008; 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 14-20, 2010 as **NATIONAL AGRICULTURE WEEK** in the City of Woodland in recognition of the importance of agriculture to our Community.

Dated this 16th day of March, 2010

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Marlin H. Davies, Mayor

Artemio Pimentel, Vice-Mayor

Martie L. Dote, Council Member

William L. Marble, Council Member

Jeff W. Monroe, Council Member