

MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NUMBER 06- 160
A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING GERALD KURT PROGNER FOR HIS TWENTY-SIX YEARS
OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO MARIPOSA COUNTY

WHEREAS, JERRY PROGNER began his employment as the District Conservationist in Mariposa County on March 9, 1980 replacing Mickey Dignon; and

WHEREAS, JERRY is known throughout the county for his extensive knowledge of soil, natural resources and farm practices; and

WHEREAS, JERRY has been instrumental in the creation of many **firsts** including Mariposa County's 1st Conservation Easement, the Mariposa Middle School Outdoor Classroom, the Oak-Woodland Guidelines, the Reclamation Plan for the Agua Fria Slate Quarry, the Grading Ordinance, the NRCS Boot camp Program, the Yosemite/Sequoia RC&D, the Upper Merced Watershed and the Federal Friday Program; and

WHEREAS, JERRY has either supported or served on a variety of committees and organizations including the Ag Advisory Committee, the Midpines Community Planning Committee, the Economic Development Committee, the Firesafe Council, the Mariposa Elementary School PTA, the Little League Board of Directors, 4-H, and FFA; and

WHEREAS, JERRY has provided technical assistance to The University of California Farm Advisor, the County Agricultural Commissioner, the Mariposa Public Utility District (MPUD), the Department of Fish and Game and the Mariposa County Fair; and

WHEREAS, JERRY has proven that he truly gives a dam by overseeing over 40 dam projects in Mariposa County; and

WHEREAS, JERRY has helped train 27 Resource Conservation Board members and helped organize and execute 24 RCD Tree Sales since 1980; and

WHEREAS, JERRY has been the county grading inspector since 1993 and has been responsible for inspecting thousands of grading projects throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, JERRY has been successful in helping local agricultural producers acquire hundreds of thousands of dollars in grants and cost shares for conservation practices; and

WHEREAS, JERRY is famous for his entertaining storytelling, his unlimited repertoire of jokes, and the ability to add his own special flavor to conversations with expressions such as: "You're gunna have that" and "He came out like a bad dog" and "I resemble that"; and

WHEREAS, JERRY has proven to be cheerful in all weather, helpful whenever called upon, passionate in his work, devoted to his family and friends, and dedicated to preserving the rural character and enhancing the natural resources of Mariposa County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereby recognizes and commends **GERALD KURT PROGNER** for his outstanding service to Mariposa County, and wishes him the very best in his retirement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Mariposa County this 2nd day of May, by unanimous vote.

LEE STETSON, District I

DIANNE FRITZ, District IV

LYLE TURPIN, District II

BOB PICKARD, District V

JANET BIBBY, District III