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MEMORANDUM

Date: March 20, 2019
To: Board of Directors
California Exposition & State Fair
Via: Rick Pickering, CEO
California Exposition & State Fair
From: Jay Carlson, AG Manager
California Exposition & State Fair
Subject: Agricultural Advisory Council

Cal Expo Agricultural Advisory Council Board Liaisons, Rina DiMare and Corny Gallagher recommend the following individuals for approval to the Agricultural Advisory Council:

Charles Parker is the California Department of Education, State FFA Advisor. Charles has nearly 40 years of Agricultural education teaching and leadership experience which includes 12 years as an Ag Teacher and FFA Advisor at Kingsburg High School, 17 years as an Agricultural Education consultant for the California Department of Education that included being the Assistant State FFA Advisor, Regional Supervisor & FFA Advisor for the San Joaquin Region, Regional Supervisor & FFA Advisor for the North Coast , National FFA Officer Team Director, National FFA Convention Arena manager and leadership conference manager. His broad experience in agricultural education and leadership make him a tremendous asset.

Matthew Patton is currently the Executive Director of the California FFA Foundation and the California Agricultural Teacher's Association where he serves in the capacity of legislative advocate, develops the CATA budget and maintains the fiscal integrity of the association, oversees the fiscal and personnel operations of the FFA center. Matt was an Agricultural Science instructor for over 18 years at Florin High School and Elk Grove High School. Matt is young, ambitious and is a strong supporter of youth education in agriculture.