WHEREAS, Cosumnes Community Services District is situated in a largely agricultural region and is guided by the principals of inclusivity in its commitment to help improve the lives of all individuals in the diverse community it serves; and

WHEREAS, The District is inspired by champions of equity, recognizing the critical work of labor agencies and individual advocates working to secure and protect the basic rights and safety of farm workers who in turn help preserve the state’s agricultural abundance; and

WHEREAS, Cesar Chavez Day celebrates the life and achievements of a devoted advocate for farm worker rights, whose tireless work helped Americans recognize the human toil that brings food to their tables; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 1962 and strictly committed to a credo of non-violence, Cesar Chavez and Dolores Huerta organized communities of farm workers and labor rights advocates throughout the state to fight against hazardous working conditions, demand fair and equitable compensation, and basic protections under the law;

WHEREAS, through the United Farm Workers Association, together Cesar Chavez and Dolores Huerta helped secure contract negotiations which have since paved the way for state and federal policies regulating some agricultural practices in favor of protecting the lives of farm workers as well as drinking water sources for communities surrounded by agricultural farmland; and

WHEREAS, the ongoing health pandemic has laid bare the fact that farm workers are still dangerously unprotected while performing an essential function that keeps both the population and the economy strong;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Cosumnes Community Services District Board of Directors does hereby proclaim

March 31, 2021 AS
CESAR CHAVEZ DAY

and calls on the community to celebrate and honor the lives of farm workers, labor leaders and their families by participating in education programs and supporting local advocacy groups.

DONE AND PROCLAIMED this 3rd of March 2021, in Elk Grove, California.

Jim Luttrell, President

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