



Board of Directors Agenda Report

MEETING DATE: JUNE 25, 2020 **ITEM NUMBER:** 10C

SUBJECT: Consideration of and Vote on an OC Fair & Event Center Solidarity Statement, and Expansion of the Community Engagement Committee to Review Diversity Issues

DATE: June 19, 2020

FROM: Directors Aitken and Bagneris

PRESENTATION BY: Directors Aitken and Bagneris

RECOMMENDATION

At the Board of Directors' discretion.

BACKGROUND

Proclamation of the Board of Directors of the 32nd District Agricultural Association

WHEREAS, the mission of the 32nd District Agricultural Association (the 32nd DAA) is the "Celebration of Orange County's Communities, Interests and Heritage"; and

WHEREAS, the 32nd DAA is against discrimination on the basis of race, creed, national origin, ancestry, religion, age, disability, political affiliation, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and/or expression, or marital, parental or military status; and

WHEREAS, the 32nd DAA condemns the deeply troubling actions that occurred in Minneapolis, Minnesota, which led to the inexcusable and senseless death of Mr. George Floyd; and the same troubling actions that have taken the lives of so many other Black men, women, boys and girls, even since Mr. Floyd; and

WHEREAS, the 32nd DAA stands in solidarity with those that peacefully protest against violence, inequality and excessive force; and

WHEREAS, the 32nd DAA recognizes the community is in turmoil, and looking to its leaders to affirm their commitment to inclusion, diversity, and equality; and

WHEREAS, the 32nd DAA stands with the members of our Black Community and all people of color that have been ignored, marginalized and disenfranchised;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of the 32nd District Agricultural Association hereby does proclaim on June 25, 2020, that it stands in solidarity with the Black Community and reaffirms its commitment to denounce discrimination or violence in any form.