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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 19-245

**IN THE MATTER OF RECOGNIZING AND EXPRESS)
APPRECIATION FOR BAKER COMMODITIES GENERAL)
MANAGER, MANUEL PONTE, FOR HIS MORE THAN 50)
YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY)**

WHEREAS, Manuel Ponte began his working career in slaughter houses in 1965 for San Joaquin Beef, which was owned by Baker Commodities, before going to work for Corky Lindsay in 1966 where he worked for two-and-a-half years; and

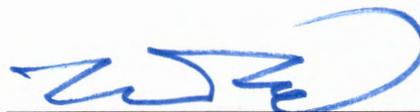
WHEREAS, Manuel returned to Baker Commodities on May 11, 1969, where he stayed for 50 years on until his retirement on May 31, 2019, where he served as plant manager in Hanford before becoming assistant general manager in Kerman and then Kerman general manager in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Baker Commodities under Manuel's stewardship has been an upstanding industry leader, while always remembering those in the community. Over the years Baker Commodities under Manuel's leadership has donated generously to Kerman Unified School District and The Big Fresno Fair 4-H and FFA livestock exhibitors. In his private life, Manuel was married 52 years to his high school sweetheart, Cathy Elaine Miller Ponte, who passed away in 2018.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes and expresses appreciation for Baker Commodities General Manager, Manuel Ponte, for his more than 50 years of service to our community.

THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 18th day of June, 2019, to-wit:

AYES: Supervisors, Brandau, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco, Quintero
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None



Nathan Magsig, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno

ATTEST:
BERNICE E. SEIDEL
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Fresno, State of California

By Susan Bishop
Deputy