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LEGAL PROCESS #3

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

THE NATIONAL GRANGE OF THE ORDER OF
PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY, a Washington, D.C.
nonprofit corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

THE CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE, a
California nonprofit corporation, and ROBERT
McFARLAND, JOHN LUVAAAS, GERALD
CHERNOFF and DAMIAN PARR,

Defendants

Case No. 34-2012-00130439

**DECLARATION OF ROBERT
McFARLAND IN SUPPORT OF
OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION
FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

DATE: OCTOBER 17, 2012

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

DEPT: 53

I, Bob McFarland, declare that:

1. I am the elected Master and President of the California State Grange. The facts stated in this declaration are true and correct and based upon my own personal knowledge, and if called upon to testify thereto, I am competent to do so.

2. I was duly elected to a second 2-year term as President of the California State Grange by majority vote of the California State Grange members. Attached as Exhibit "A" is a true and correct copy of the California State Grange Statement of Information.

3. The California State Grange is a California Non-Profit Corporation organized under the laws of the State of California. Attached as Exhibit "B" is a true and correct copy of the Articles of Incorporation of the California State Grange.

4. Pursuant to the California Corporation Code, all California Corporations must hold an annual meeting. The California State Grange has held its annual meeting for 139 consecutive years.

1 The annual meeting is a great way for the members of the California State Grange to get together and
2 conduct their business affairs, vote on corporate business, elect officers and spend some enjoyable
3 time with fellow members of the California Granger.

4 5. At the 2011 annual meeting of the California State Grange, a majority of members
5 voted to hold the 140th Annual Meeting of the California State Grange at Little Lake Grange in
6 Willets, California from October 10-14 of 2012. Based on the vote of a majority of the California
7 State Grange members, the California State Grange actively promoted the 140th Annual Meeting to its
8 Members, their children and guests. Attached as Exhibit "C" is a true and correct copy of the
9 Registration Website for the 140th Annual Meeting of the California State Grange.

10 6. From June 1, 2012 to July 31, 2012, I served a voluntary suspension as a result of
11 actions that occurred in 2011. Upon returning from said voluntary suspension, Plaintiff attempted to
12 suspend me indefinitely for alleged actions during 2009.

13 7. This suspension is viewed as an attempt by Plaintiff to remove an elected officer of a
14 California corporation.

15 8. Upon receipt of the new charges against me by National Master Ed Luttrell, I forwarded
16 said charges to the Executive Committee of the California State Grange.

17 9. The Executive Committee held a meeting to review and discuss the suspension and
18 charges against me by Ed Luttrell.

19 10. The Executive Committee is made up of 5 elected members Jon Luvaas, Inger Bevans,
20 Shirley Baker, Buzz Chernoff and Damian Parr, as well as, the Overseer Martha Stefenoni and myself
21 as President. Four members of the Executive Committee were in attendance at the meeting.

22 11. Based on the Executive Committee discussion and review it was moved by Member Jon
23 Luvaas and seconded by Member Damian Parr that the California State Grange Executive Committee
24 take the following positions:

- 25 a. That the California State Grange Executive Committee considered all charges brought
26 by National Master Ed Luttrell against California State Grange Master Bob McFarland on
27 August 1, 2012 and finds no cause to suspend the California State Grange Master based upon
28 those charges.

1 b. That the Executive Committee does not recognize any authority for Master Luttrell to
2 suspend the California State Grange Master because Grange law prohibits any action under
3 Grange law contrary to the laws of the land governing our Grange. Under the California
4 Corporations Code governing our Grange, no body other than the members who elected a
5 corporate director may remove that director from office.

6 c. That the Executive Committee does not recognize Overseer Martha Stefenoni as the
7 Acting Master of the California State Grange because Master McFarland's suspension by the
8 National Master was unlawful under both Grange and California law and because she has a
9 conflict of interest.

10 d. That the Executive Committee does not recognize Master Luttrell's authority to suspend
11 the California State Grange Charter because doing so is contrary to the laws of the State of
12 California governing our California Corporation.

13 e. That the Executive Committee demands a cessation of harassment by the National
14 Master against the California State Grange and its duly elected corporate directors.

15 f. That, in any action taken by this Executive Committee, the officers or members of the
16 Grange, or the National Master, the Executive Committee reserves the rights of the California
17 State Grange to defend itself under Grange law and the laws of our state and nation.

18 g. That the Annual Meeting (Convention) of the members of our nonprofit mutual benefit
19 corporation will proceed on schedule, as required by the California corporations Code.
20 Attached as Exhibit "D" is a true and correct copy of the resolutions adopted by the Board.

21 12. Based on the California State Grange Board of Directors refusal to honor National
22 Master Ed Luttrell's wrongful suspension, Ed Lutrell attempted to cancel the California State
23 Grange's Annual Meeting.

24 13. As of close of business Tuesday October 2, 2012, the California State Grange had 189
25 members and delegates registered to attend. These costs are paid by the individual members and
26 delegates in advance. Additionally, the attendees purchase advance meal tickets for \$75.00 per adult
27 and \$40.00 per child. These costs have already been paid. Further, our members must pay for their
28 own lodging which runs between \$75.00 and \$110.00 for lodging per night. To date, the members and

1 delegates have spent in excess of \$35,000.00, which is non-refundable, in order to attend the annual
2 meeting.

3 14. In addition to the registration price, the California State Grange budgets approximately
4 \$10,000.00 of its general fund for this annual meeting. This money is used to pay for additional
5 support staff for the annual meeting, as well as having contracted guest speakers and entertainers to
6 attend said annual meeting.

7 15. Should the Court have granted Plaintiffs' request to enjoin the Executive Committee
8 and myself from performing our functions, then all of the registered guests would have been out of
9 pocket approximately \$35,000 and the California State Grange out an additional \$10,000.00. That
10 would have been a non-refundable expenditure and quasi-forfeiture of approximately \$50,000.00 by a
11 California non-profit corporation and its members.

12 16. Compounding the economic harm to the California State Grange is the harm caused to
13 the goodwill and public sentiment of the California State Grange, as well as the negative publicity
14 caused by this last-minute attempt of "cancellation by fiat" of the annual meeting of the California
15 State Grange.

16 17. Even after the Court denied Plaintiff's motion for a temporary restraining order, Ed
17 Lutrell by and through agents of the National Grange has continued to contact members of the
18 California State Grange and inform them that if representatives from local Grange chapters are
19 "anywhere near" the annual meeting, such action will be seen as disrespecting the National Grange
20 and it will put the assets of such local Grange chapters in peril, such that the National Grange may
21 seek to seize the local Grange chapters Grange hall. Additionally the National Grange has been
22 informing local chapters of the California State Grange that no business of the California State Grange
23 may be conducted at this meeting, and should any business be conducted such business will be null
24 and void.

25 18. Plaintiff has further instructed members, officers and directors of the California State
26 Grange that they are to hold any monies raised from auctions and other fund raising events at the
27 annual meeting until the funds can be turned over to the National Grange.
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2 19. To date, the National Grange has suffered no irreparable harm. The California State
3 Grange collects dues from its members on a quarterly basis. A portion of said quarterly dues is paid to
4 the National Grange. On or about August 1, 2012, after returning from a voluntary suspension, I
5 oversaw the quarterly payment to the National Grange, which was accepted. The California State
6 Grange is current on its payments to the National Grange. Further, as an officer of a California
7 Corporation, I have a duty to oversee the day to day operations of the Corporation, ensure that the
8 Corporation's taxes are filed, that the Corporation's bills are paid, that employee payroll is paid and
9 that other Corporate matters are conducted in a timely, efficient, and legal manner.

10 20. Finally, based on the Plaintiff's actions to date, the only irreparable harm that will be
11 inflicted by the issuance of a preliminary injunction is to a California Corporation and to its members.

12 21. Therefore, I request that the Court deny Plaintiff's request for a preliminary injunction,
13 in order to preserve the status quo until this matter may be heard on its merits.

14 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of State of California that the foregoing is
15 true and correct, and that this declaration was executed in Sacramento, California.

16 Dated: 10-10-12

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ROBERT McFARLAND

EXHIBIT A

AMENDMENT

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State of California Secretary of State

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Statement of Information

(Domestic Nonprofit, Credit Union and Consumer Cooperative Corporations)

Filing Fee: \$20.00. If amendment, see instructions.

IMPORTANT - READ INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM

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of the State of California

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1. CORPORATE NAME

California State Grange
Corp # C0210454

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Due Date:

Complete Principal Office Address (Do not abbreviate the name of the city. Item 2 cannot be a P.O. Box.)

2. STREET ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE IN CALIFORNIA, IF ANY

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

3830 U Street

Sacramento

CA

95817

3. MAILING ADDRESS OF THE CORPORATION, IF REQUIRED

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Names and Complete Addresses of the Following Officers (The corporation must list these three officers. A comparable title for the specific officer may be added; however, the preprinted titles on this form must not be altered.)

4. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/ Pres.

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

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Bob McFarland

3830 U Street

Sacramento

CA

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5. SECRETARY

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Leslie S Parker

3830 U Street

Sacramento

CA

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6. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER/ Treas

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Marian Nichols

3830 U Street

Sacramento

CA

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Agent for Service of Process (If the agent is an individual, the agent must reside in California and Item 8 must be completed with a California street address (a P.O. Box address is not acceptable). If the agent is another corporation, the agent must have on file with the California Secretary of State a certificate pursuant to California Corporations Code section 1505 and Item 8 must be left blank.)

7. NAME OF AGENT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS

Bob McFarland

8. STREET ADDRESS OF AGENT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS IN CALIFORNIA, IF AN INDIVIDUAL

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

3830 U Street

Sacramento

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Davis-Stirling Common Interest Development Act (California Civil Code section 1350, et seq.)

9. ☐ Check here if the corporation is an association formed to manage a common interest development under the Davis-Stirling Common Interest Development Act and proceed to Items 10, 11 and 12.

NOTE: Corporations formed to manage a common interest development must also file a Statement by Common Interest Development Association (Form SI-CID) as required by California Civil Code section 1363.6. Please see instructions on the reverse side of this form.

10. ADDRESS OF BUSINESS OR CORPORATE OFFICE OF THE ASSOCIATION, IF ANY

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

11. FRONT STREET AND NEAREST CROSS STREET FOR THE PHYSICAL LOCATION OF THE COMMON INTEREST DEVELOPMENT

9-DIGIT ZIP CODE

(Complete if the business or corporate office is not on the site of the common interest development.)

12. NAME AND ADDRESS OF ASSOCIATION'S MANAGING AGENT, IF ANY

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

13. THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

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Leslie S Parker

Secretary

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EXHIBIT B

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EXEMPT FROM PAYMENT OF
MINIMUM FRANCHISE TAX

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In the office of the Secretary of State
of the State of California

OCT 7 - 1946

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

J. HANCOCK JORDAN, Secretary of State

-OF-

By *[Signature]*
Notary Public for California

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"CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE."

and

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That we, the undersigned, GEORGE SEHLMAYER, CELIA M. HARDING, HARRY BARNES, W. L. SMITH and MERLE MENSINGER, have this day voluntarily associated ourselves together for the purpose of forming a non profit corporation under the laws of the State of California.

AND WE DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

1. That the name of this corporation is:
"CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE."
2. That the purposes for which this corporation is formed are the following:
 - (a) To incorporate and take over all existing unincorporated association known as "California State Grange."
 - (b) To purchase, hold, lease, grant real and personal property, and have power to make contracts, sue and be sued, and otherwise acquire, sell, convey, transfer, lease to others, and otherwise dispose of, mortgage or otherwise encumber, real or personal property.
 - (c) To develop a better and higher manhood and womanhood among the members; to enhance the comforts and attractions of the homes of the members, and to strengthen the attachment of the members to their pursuits; to foster mutual understanding and cooperation; to maintain inviolate our laws and to emulate each other in labor; to reduce the expenses, both individual and corporate; to buy less and produce more, in order to make farms self-sustaining; to diversify the crops of

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1 members and to crop no more than the members can cultivate;
2 to condense the weight of the members' exports, selling less
3 in the bushel and more on hoof and in fleece; less in lint,
4 and more in warp and woof; to systematize the work of members
5 and calculate intelligently on probabilities; to discountenance
6 the credit system, the mortgage system, the fashion system, and
7 every other system tending to prodigality and bankruptcy.

8 (d) To meet together, talk together, work together,
9 buy together, sell together, and in general act together for
10 the mutual protection and advancement of members, as occasion
11 may require; to avoid litigation as much as possible by arbit-
12 ration in the Grange; to strive to secure entire harmony, good-
13 will, vital brotherhood among its members and to make the Grange
14 perpetual; to suppress personal, local, sectional and national
15 prejudices, all unhealthy rivalry and selfish ambition.

16 (e) To bring producers, consumers, farmers and manufac-
17 turers into the most direct and friendly relations possible;
18 to dispense with a surplus of middlemen; to work for the bene-
19 fit of the producer and consumer, and for all other interests
20 that tend to bring these two parties into speedy and economical
21 contact.

22 (f) To advocate for every State the increase in every
23 practicable way of all facilities for transporting cheaply to
24 the seaboard, or between home producers and consumers, all the
25 productions of our country; to open out the channels in nature's
26 great arteries, that the life-blood of commerce may flow freely.

27 (g) To oppose such spirit and management of any cor-
28 poration or enterprise as tends to oppress the people and rob
29 them of their just profits; to advocate the removal of antago-
30 nism between capital and labor by common consent, and by an
31 enlightened statesmanship worthy of the twentieth century.
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1 (h) To advance the cause of education among its
2 members and their children, by all just means within its
3 power; to advocate for our agricultural and industrial
4 colleges, that practical agriculture, domestic science, and
5 all the arts which adorn the home, be taught in their courses
6 of study; and to do all things formerly done by the State
7 Grange, a voluntary association.

8 3. This corporation from time to time may do any one
9 or more of the acts and things, or carry out any one or more
10 of the purposes herein set forth, and may transact business
11 in the State of California, in other States, in the District
12 of Columbia, in the Districts, Dependencies and Colonies of
13 the United States, and in Foreign Countries.

14 4. That the principal office for the transaction of
15 the business of this corporation is to be located in the
16 County of Sacramento, State of California.

✓ 17 5. That all members of the California State Grange, a
18 voluntary association, at the date hereof, shall be members
19 of the CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE, a Corporation.

20 6. That this corporation does not contemplate the distri-
21 bution of gains, profits or dividends to the members thereof.

✓ 22 7. That the organization of the CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE,
23 a corporation, shall be and remain as now existing, until
24 otherwise changed or modified according to the rules and reg-
25 ulations of said Order.

✓ 26 8. That the Constitution of the CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE,
27 a voluntary association, shall be and remain the Constitution
28 of this corporation, until otherwise amended or altered in
29 the mode provided by said instrument.

30 9. That the present By-Laws of the CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE,
31 a voluntary association, shall constitute the By-Laws of the
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corporation hereby created, subject to be altered and amended as provided in the same. That any amendments made to said Constitution and By-Laws shall conform to the Constitution of the United States and of this State.

10. That the CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE may hold its annual and call meetings in any County in the State of California, and the proceedings of such meetings shall have the same force and effect in this State, as if said meetings were held and proceedings had in the County of Sacramento.

11. That the authorized number and qualifications of members of this corporation, the property, voting and other rights and privileges of membership, and the liability of each to dues or assessments, and the method of collection thereof, shall be set forth in the By-Laws of this Corporation.

12. That there shall be five (5) directors; that the names and addresses of the persons who are appointed to act as the first directors are as follows:

NAME	ADDRESS
George Schlmeyer	2900 Regina Way, Sacramento, California;
Celia M. Harding	Route 1 Box 112, Fowler, California;
Harry Barnes	53 E. Santa Clara Avenue, San Jose, California;
W. L. Smith	Route 1 Box 25, Battle Willow, California;
Merle Mensinger	Escalon, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 20th day of September, 1946.

<u>W. L. Smith</u> (W. L. Smith)	<u>George Schlmeyer</u> (George Schlmeyer)
<u>Merle Mensinger</u> (Merle Mensinger)	<u>Celia M. Harding</u> (Celia M. Harding)
	<u>Harry Barnes</u> (Harry Barnes)

1 STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
2) SE.
3 COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO)

4 on this 20th day of September, A. D., 1946, before
5 me, CHARLES O. BUSICK, a Notary Public in and for the County
6 of Sacramento, State of California, personally appeared
7 GEORGE SEHLMAYER, CELIA M. HARDING, HARRY BARNES, W. L. SMITH
8 and MERLE MENSIEGER, known to me to be the persons named as
9 directors in the within instrument, and whose names are sub-
10 scribed thereto, and severally acknowledged to me that they
11 executed the same.

12 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and
13 affixed my official seal at my office in the City of Sacra-
14 mento, County of Sacramento, State of California, the day
15 and year in this certificate first above written.

16 *Charles O. Busick*
17 Notary Public in and for the County
18 of Sacramento, State of California.

19 On motion duly seconded and carried, the Secretary
20 was directed to file the Articles of Incorporation in the
21 Office of the Secretary of State of the State of California,
22 and also file a certified copy of said Articles of Incorpora-
23 tion, duly certified to by said Secretary of State, in the
24 Office of the County Clerk of the County of Sacramento, State
25 of California. There being no further business the meeting
26 adjourned.

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28 *Celia M. Harding*
29 Secretary of Preliminary Meeting of Organizers
30 of California State Grange, Incorporated.

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AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
County of Sacramento (SS:

On this 1st day of October 1946,
before me, CHARLES O. BUSICK, a Notary Public in
and for the said County and State, residing therein, duly commis-
sioned and sworn, personally appeared GEORGE SCHMEYER
and CELIA M. HARDING, who, being sworn, each for himself,
deposes and says: That the said GEORGE SCHMEYER
is the Master of California State Grange
and that the said CELIA M. HARDING is the Secretary
of California State Grange. That
California State Grange is an unincorporated
association and that said association has duly authorized its in-
corporation. That George Schmeyer and
Celia M. Harding have executed these articles
of incorporation in their official capacity and by authority of
such association.

George Schmeyer
George Schmeyer
Celia M. Harding
Celia M. Harding

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of
October, 1946.

(Seal)

Charles O. Busick
Notary Public in and for said
County and State

CHAS. J. MCCOLGAN
COMMISSIONER



STATE OF CALIFORNIA

OFFICE OF

Franchise Tax Commissioner

SACRAMENTO 14

October 7, 1946

California State Grants
c/o Bank and Building
221 Bank of America Building
Sacramento, California

Gentlemen:

RE: Exemption From Franchise Tax

The claim submitted by your organization for exemption from taxation under the Bank and Corporation Franchise Tax Act is approved. Annual franchise tax returns need not be filed unless the character of the organization, its purposes, methods of operation, sources of income, or methods of distribution of its income, be changed. Changes in any of these particulars must be reported promptly to this department.

Very truly yours,

CHAS. J. MCCOLGAN
Franchise Tax Commissioner

By

William A. Russell
WILLIAM A. RUSSELL
Assistant Tax Counsel

MAN:ds

cc - Sec. of State
cc - Russell

EXHIBIT C

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2012 Convention



Our 140th annual California State Grange Convention will be celebrated October 10 – 14, 2012 at the Little Lake Grange, at 291 School Street, Willits. Willits is located 135 miles north of San Francisco on State Highway 101.

This year's theme will be "Growing Farmers". Highlights of this year's convention include:

Workshop Day. Wednesday, October 10 is an optional "Workshop Day". The staff of the State Grange will be treating everyone to lunch. There will be a variety of interesting and informative workshops. Everyone is welcome to attend Workshop Day. There is no charge.

The 140th California State Grange Convention officially opens on Thursday, October 11.

Showcase of Grange Artisans. Thursday, October 11, evening. Celebrating the diverse talents of our members, many entries will be judged live on stage. You can view and download a copy of the Showcase Handbook at www.californiagrangegr.org/showcase or for more information call (916) 454-5805.

Grange Women's Day. Friday, October 12. Celebrating the contributions of the GWA with a luncheon, Women's March. Also an optional fundraising breakfast will be hosted by the GWA (\$5 at the door).

Master's Banquet and Awards Night. Friday, October 12, evening. A special evening to honor some of our outstanding Granges and Grangers.

Youth and Junior Grange Day. Saturday, October 13. The Youth & Junior Granges will open the session and serve a BBQ lunch.

Annual Talent Show. Saturday, October 13, evening. Performing artists representing Granges from all over the state will compete in our annual Talent Show. The winning act is eligible to represent California at the National Convention in Idaho.

Memorial Service and Veterans' Tribute. Sunday, October 14, morning. A beautiful service remembering those who have passed, and a celebration of those who have served.

Conferral of the Fifth and Sixth Degrees. Sunday, October 14. An opportunity for members to raise their levels of achievement in the Grange.

Important items of business for this convention will include the processing of resolutions beginning on Thursday, and nominations and elections of State Grange Officers beginning on Friday.

Resolutions must be adopted by your Grange, verified with the Master and Secretary's signature and with the corporate seal applied be received by the State Grange or postmarked by September 1. After the deadline, resolutions must be approved by the State Master and appropriate Legislative Committee Chair to be accepted.



Lodging is up to each individual. We are currently negotiating discounted rates at several area motels.

A meal ticket will be sold for \$75 that will include lunch and dinner at the convention Thursday - Saturday, and lunch on Sunday. Breakfasts are up to the individual.

T-Shirt: Your Grange can help cover the costs of convention by contributing \$25 to get your Grange's name on the back of our official 140th Convention T-shirt. Contact **Michelle Dobbin** at (916) 454-5805 to reserve a space.

Our goal is to make this convention fun. We truly hope you will join us for this 140th Convention of the

California State Grange. If you have any questions, please call our office at (916) 454-5805.

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EXHIBIT D

Motion adopted at the 9/25/12 meeting of the California State Grange Executive Committee.

It was moved by Jon, seconded by Damian that the CSG Executive Committee takes the following positions:

- 1. That the CSG EC considered all charges brought by National Master Ed Luttrell against CSG Master Bob McFarland on August 1, 2012 and finds no cause to suspend the CSG Master based upon those charges.***
- 2. That the EC does not recognize any authority for Master Luttrell to suspend the CSG Master because Grange law prohibits any action under Grange law contrary to the laws of the land governing our Grange. Under the California Corporations Code governing our Grange, no body other than the members who elected a corporate director may remove that director from office.***
- 3. That the EC does not recognize Overseer Martha Stefenoni as the Acting Master of the CSG because Master McFarland's suspension by the National Master was unlawful under both Grange and California law and because she has a conflict of interest.***
- 4. That the EC does not recognize Master Luttrell's authority to suspend the CSG Charter because doing so is contrary to the laws of the State of California governing our California Corporation.***
- 5. That the EC demands a cessation of harassment by the National Master against the CSG and its duly elected corporate directors.***
- 6. That, in any action taken by this EC, the officers or members of the Grange, or the National Master, the EC reserves the rights of the CSG to defend itself under Grange law and the laws of our state and nation.***
- 7. That the Annual Meeting (Convention) of the members of our nonprofit mutual benefit corporation will proceed on schedule, as required by the California corporations Code.***

Motion carried. 4 in favor, 0 opposed 3 absent.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Maria Gutierrez, declare:

I am a citizen of the United States, am over the age of eighteen years, and am not a party to or interested in the within entitled cause. My business address is 555 University Avenue, Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95825.

On October 3, 2012, I served the following document(s) on the parties in the within action:

DECLARATION OF ROBERT MCFARLAND IN SUPPORT OF OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

	VIA ELECTRONIC SERVICE: The above-described document(s) will be delivered electronically through the Court's ECF/PACER electronic filing system, as stipulated by all parties to constitute personal service, to the following:
X	BY MAIL: I am familiar with the business practice for collection and processing of mail. The above-described document(s) will be enclosed in a sealed envelope, with first class postage thereon fully prepaid, and deposited with the United States Postal Service at Sacramento, CA on this date, addressed as follows:
	BY HAND: The above-described document(s) will be placed in a sealed envelope which will be hand-delivered on this same date by _____, addressed as follows:
	VIA FACSIMILE: The above-described document(s) was transmitted via facsimile from the fax number shown on the attached facsimile report, at the time shown on the attached facsimile report, and the attached facsimile report reported no error in transmission and was properly issued from the transmitting facsimile machine, and a copy of same was mailed, on this same date to the following:
X	VIA E-MAIL: The above-described document(s) will be delivered by e-mail, to the following:
Martin N. Jensen Porter Scott 350 University Avenue, Suite 200 Sacramento, CA 95825 mjensen@porterscott.com dganzon@porterscott.com	Attorneys for Plaintiff THE NATIONAL GRANGE OF THE ORDER OF PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is a true and correct statement and that this Certificate was executed on October 3, 2012.

By:

Maria Gutierrez

