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Yolo County Proclaims Weights and Measures Week Recognizing History of Business and Consumer Protection

(Woodland, CA) – At the February 22, 2022, Board of Supervisor meeting, the Board unanimously proclaimed March 1 to 7, Weights and Measures Week, celebrating our nation’s passage of the first Weights and Measures Law on March 2, 1799, and signed by President John Adams. The Yolo County Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures serves businesses and consumers, ensuring all weighing, measuring, and volumetric devices used in commerce are accurate in design and operation.

Yolo County Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures inspectors protect businesses and consumers in various ways:

- Verify correct transactions of purchased consumer goods sold by weight, volume, or count
- Inspect and test commercial weighing and measuring devices for accuracy, including grocery store check-out stands, gas pumps, gas and electric meters, and other devices used to measure, weigh or meter consumer goods for large and small capacity scales
- Sample petroleum products at commercial locations for quality

“My colleagues and I proudly support the important work of the Yolo County Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures and proclaim March 1-7 as Weights and Measures Week,” said Board Chair, Supervisor Angel Barajas. “We want residents to understand the work done to protect our key agriculture industry businesses and consumers across the County.”

Weights and Measures Week intends to increase the awareness of the law and how it protects businesses and consumers, promoting standards of measurement for consumers at marketplaces and various industries in Yolo County. In addition, the [National Conference on Weights and Measures](#) announced this year’s theme, “*For the Sake of Equity*,” highlighting the need for fairness in commerce.

“The proclamation honors the work our county staff does to protect consumers by making sure they get what they pay for, whether at the gas pump, supermarket fruits and vegetables, or point of sale systems in stores,” said Agricultural Commissioner/ Sealer of Weights & Measures Humberto Izquierdo. “We also check the large commercial scales that farmers and processors use in their financial transactions, supporting Yolo County’s multimillion-dollar commodities, like tomatoes, almonds, and rice. Our work provides equity in the marketplace for both buyers and sellers.”

To learn more about the Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures, [visit their web pages](#).

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