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**LIVERMORE STOCKMEN'S RODEO ASSOCIATION**

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Dear LARPD Board of Directors,

We are happy to report the Livermore Rodeo had a fantastic show and western festival this summer. After several years off, it was enjoyable to bring back this large-scale community event which has existed for over 100 years.

We are proud of this year's accomplishments and our interaction with LARPD, local government and the community we all love and serve. We are excited to bring back this professional event in 2023 and hope for bigger and better things.

The collaborative work that has been completed between LARPD and the Livermore Stockmen's Rodeo Association has been outstanding. The ability to put on the largest event at the park's equestrian center is a huge accomplishment for both organizations. We are proud of our contributions to this community and applaud LARPD's commitment and sponsorship of the rodeo.

As we move toward 2023, we are confident you will be inundated with requests for rodeo bans, elimination of events and the complete separation between the Livermore Rodeo and LARPD. Most will have no knowledge of the long-standing contract between LARPD, the City of Livermore and the Livermore Rodeo. They activists will be attempting to eliminate agriculture in the Tri Valley and ultimately prohibit the consumption of animal protein throughout the United States.

We are proud to be free in this country and support those who speak their mind, whether we agree or not. However, those that appreciate rodeo, work in agriculture, enjoy our local parks and believe in celebrating culture don't always speak up. We often believe that our contributions to our community would speak for itself. However, we believe we have been misguided in our beliefs and now need to defend 100's of years of effort.

In short, this letter is submitted to you on behalf of the silent majority. The majority that celebrates traditions and a way of life. Please do not ban or prohibit any rodeo events. Please continue to support our rodeo as we continue to support you in an effort to make Livermore thrive.

On Behalf of the Livermore Rodeo,

**Colby Staysa**

Colby Staysa, Secretary

Livermore Stockmen's Rodeo Association

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