



Proclamation

California Alpaca Farm Day

Whereas, the State of California recognizes the alpaca as one of the oldest domesticated livestock in the Americas; and

Whereas, the alpaca, known worldwide for its luxurious fiber, is increasing in numbers in the State of California; and

Whereas, the alpaca, being an earth-friendly species, allows farmers to maintain green space and keep the family farm in existence; and

Whereas, there are increasing numbers of farms dedicated to the raising of alpacas in the State of California; and

Whereas, the State of California recognizes and celebrates the alpaca farmers who provide proper husbandry for the alpaca; and

Whereas, the State of California recognizes the growing value of the alpaca and its luxurious fiber to our state; and

Whereas, the Alpaca Owners and Breeders Association has designated September 29, 2007 as California Alpaca Farm Day in America; and

Whereas, the State of California will celebrate with other states of these great United States in recognizing September 29, 2007 as California Alpaca Farm Day in America; and

Whereas, the Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture encourages all Californians to learn more about the alpaca, its luxurious fleece, and the emerging alpaca fiber industry; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that I, A.G. Kawamura, Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, do hereby proclaim September 29, 2007 as the day commemorating "California Alpaca Farm Day in America."

A.G. KAWAMURA, SECRETARY
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