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DISTRICT 1 WALNUT GROWER'S PETITION FOR PROPOSING NAMES TO BE INCLUDED ON THE CALIFORNIA WALNUT BOARD NOMINATION BALLOT

Ten or more of the undersigned growers whose walnut orchards are located in District 1 and are eligible to propose nominations pursuant to Section 984.37(_) of Marketing Order No. 984, as amended, hereby petition the California Walnut Board to include on the nominating ballot the name of:

NAME (as you would like it to appear on the ballot)		PHONE		
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP	
as a candidate for the position of MEMBER or ALTERNATE (<i>check only one</i>) to represent group (_) as set forth in 984.35(_)(_). Use separate petitions for Member and Alternate positions.				

GROWER'S NAME	SIGNATURE	ADDRESS/PHONE	QUANTITY MARKETING	
(print clearly)			IN (Tons)	
THIS PETITION IS TO BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN, 20				

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In the event one handler does not handle 35% or more of the crop:

- 984.35(a)(3) Two grower members from District 1;
- 984.35(a)(4) Two grower members from District 2;
- 984.35(a)(5) One grower member nominated at large from the production area.

In the event one handler handles 35% or more of the crop:

- 984.35(b)(4) One member to represent growers from District 1 who market their walnuts through handlers that do not handle 35% or more of the crop;
- 984.35(b)(5) One member to represent growers from District 2 who market their walnuts through handlers that do not handle 35% or more of the crop; and
- 984.35(b)(6) One member to represent growers who market their walnuts through handlers that do not handle 35% or more of the crop shall be nominated at large from the production area.

Grower Districts:

984.35(c) Grower Districts:

(1) <u>District 1</u>. District 1 encompasses the counties in the State of California that lie north of a line drawn on the south boundaries of San Mateo, Alameda, San Joaquin, Calaveras, and Alpine Counties.

(2) <u>District 2</u>. District 2 shall consist of all other walnut producing counties in the State of California south of the boundary line set forth in paragraph (c)(1) of this section.

At-large Member Position:

984.437(a) With regard to Board grower member positions specified in §984.35(a)(5) or (b)(6), any ten or more such growers who marketed an aggregate of 500 or more tons of walnuts through handlers who did not handle 35% or more of the crop during the marketing year preceding the year in which Board nominations are held, may petition the Board to include on the nomination ballot the name of an eligible candidate for this position, and the name of an eligible candidate to serve as his or her alternate. The names of the eligible candidates proposed pursuant to this paragraph shall be included on the ballot together with the names of any incumbents who are willing to continue serving on the Board.

District 1 and 2 Member Positions:

984.437(b) Any ten or more growers eligible to serve in the grower member positions specified in §984.35(a)(3) and (4), or §984.35(b)(4) and (5), and who marketed an aggregate of 500 or more tons of walnuts through handlers who did not handle 35% or more of the crop during the marketing year preceding the year in which Board nominations are held, may petition the Board to include on the nomination ballot for a district the name of an eligible candidate for the applicable position, and the name of an eligible candidate to serve as his or her alternate. The names of the eligible candidates proposed pursuant to this paragraph shall be included on the ballot together with the names of any incumbents who are willing to continue serving on the Board.

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