

CALL TO ACTION!

An ordinance to ban the use of many tools safely used in agricultural, equestrian, ranching and rodeo activities has been introduced to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors (ABOS). Help us share the truth about the care and handling of livestock in these activities and encourage the full Alameda County Board of Supervisors to take into consideration veterinarians, animal owners, ranchers and other experts when developing policy.

We encourage everyone that is able to send a letter to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors before Tuesday,

September 20, 2022. Tell your story and let them know how you personally will be impacted with the loss of spurs, flank straps, tied ropes and events like horse shows and rodeo. Please make sure your voice is heard and help us stop amendments to Ordinance 5.08.

You can also attend the Alameda County Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday, September 20 and encourage your friends, business associates and family to do the same. If you cannot be there in-person you can attend via Zoom and make sure your voice is heard.

Suggested Letter:

Alameda County Board of Supervisors County Administration 1221 Oak Street, Suite 536 Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Proposed Amendment to Chapter 5.08 of the Alameda County Ordinance

Dear Board Members,

It has come to my/our attention that there is a proposal before you to amend Chapter 5.08 of the Alameda County Ordinance that will ban the use of flank straps, spurs, tied ropes and wild cow milking. It concerns us greatly that this amendment is being proposed by the Board without the input of your constituents, especially those directly impacted, and industry professionals.

We have many businesses, nonprofits and equestrians in our community that will be devastated by this change. The change will not allow us to hold equestrian events including horse shows such as dressage, hunter/jumper and even therapy riding clinics, as well as, make ranching, team roping and rodeo in our county impossible. The economic impact to local businesses, who are already struggling, will be significant.

We encourage you to listen to your community and not discriminate against the agricultural, equestrian and ranching community. Please send the item to at least the Castro Valley, Fairview and Sunol MAC Boards and Agricultural Advisory Committee for their invaluable input and recommendations.

Please take a moment to listen and don't negatively impact our businesses, non-profits and residents without giving the MAC and Agricultural Advisory Committees the opportunity to offer their important input.

Sincerely, Your Name

Email your letter and/or call all of the Supervisors today and let them know how concerned you are about the proposed change to Chapter 5.08 of the Alameda County Ordinance.

- 1. Supervisor David Haubert, District 1: (510) 272-6691 / david.haubert@acgov.org
- 2. Supervisor Richard Valle, District 2: (510) 272-6692 / Richard.valle@acgov.org
- 3. Supervisor Dave Brown, District 3: (510) 272-6693 / dave.brown@acgov.org
- 4. Supervisor Nate Miley, District 4: (510) 272-6694 / NMD4@acgov.org
- 5. Supervisor Keith Carson, District 5: (510) 272-6695 / kcarson@acgov.org

Thank you for making sure our voices are heard! We hope you will attend the ABOS meeting on Tuesday, September 20.