

**RESOLUTION FOR RENAMING OF THE UNION COUNTY SPECIAL  
EVENTS CENTER AS THE SIMPSON EVENTS CENTER**

WHEREAS, Union County opened its Special Events Center in 2021 as part of the Union County Agricultural and Event Complex; and

WHEREAS, the Special Events Center includes amenities such as a covered arena and indoor exhibit hall in which events may be held, which events particularly include agriculture-related events; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to name the Special Events Center after a person who has made significant contributions to the lives of Union County residents, as well significant contributions to the agricultural community and the promotion of agricultural activities in Union County; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Simpson is a lifelong resident of Union County who has been involved in the Union County community at-large and the agricultural community in Union County for his entire life; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Simpson has served Union County through public service throughout his life, including serving 20 years as the Union County Cooperative Extension Director and serving 12 years as an elected commissioner on the Union County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, through his public service and many other works in the community, Jerry Simpson has made a significant contribution to the enhancement of the quality of life in Union County; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Simpson is widely recognized and highly regarded for his work and public services in the community; and

WHEREAS, such community service has particularly included involvement in, and promotion of, agricultural activities in Union County, including encouraging youth to become involved in the important agricultural activities occurring in Union County; and

WHEREAS, given his impactful and long-standing community service to Union County, particularly including its agricultural community, it is truly an appropriate honor to name the Special Events Center after Jerry Simpson; and

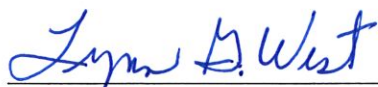
WHEREAS, such renaming of the Special Events Center ensures that the Simpson name will be attached to an important Union County facility that will serve the agricultural community, and Union County residents at-large, for generations to come in honor of his service to Union County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Union County Board of Commissioners as follows:

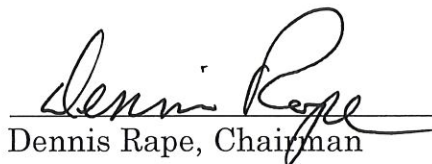
1. The Board hereby officially renames the Special Events Center as the Simpson Events Center.
2. By virtue of this action, in accordance with Section 2.2 of the Union County Facility Naming Policy ("Policy"), the Board hereby makes all exceptions to the Policy, including, without limitation, exceptions to Sections 2.1.4 and 2.1.5 of the Policy, necessary to effectuate this action.

Adopted this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.

ATTEST:



Lynn G. West, Clerk to the Board



Dennis Rape, Chairman

