EMILY ROBIDART ROONEY

Agricultural Council of California

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Agricultural Council of California Sacramento, CA September 2008 – Present President (2010 – Present); Vice President (2008 – 2010)

- Collaborate with Administration, regulatory agencies and other diverse partners to create
 workable and innovative solutions on complex issues impacting agriculture and the
 environment including, but not limited to climate change, plastic packaging, trucking, air
 quality, water quality, drinking water, matters at DPR and Prop. 65;
- Grow, prepare and execute annual association budget, resulting in doubling of operating budget, reforming and improving accounting processes and significantly growing membership during presidency;
- Advise, oversee, strategize with, and report to 25-member Board of Directors comprised of CEOs and senior-level staff of California's major farmer-owned businesses and cooperatives throughout California (membership list can be viewed at: www.agcouncil.org/members);
- Promote, support and implement all strategies, policies and programs adopted by the Board of Directors such as safe drinking water and climate change;
- Created and continue to administer policy committees specific to dairy and nursery industries;
- Provide policy updates to membership and grassroots through a variety of communications means including monthly webinars, annual meeting addresses, newsletters, editorial pieces and Capitol Farm Connection podcast.

California Farm Bureau Federation Sacramento, CA March 2004 – September 2008 Director of Farm Policy, National Affairs and Research Division

- Advocated for the interests and objectives of California's farmers and ranchers before the U.S. Government and administrative bodies;
- Worked with federal regulatory agencies to implement on-farm programs;
- Provided analysis and feedback on how legislation and regulations impact California's farmers and ranchers and resolved various regulatory and legislative matters;
- Managed and developed grassroots policy and implementation plans for several key commodity groups in a changing agricultural landscape;
- Advised County Farm Bureaus on many regulatory issue areas.

Lodi-Woodbridge Winegrape Commission Lodi, CA February 2002 – March 2004 *Administrative Marketing Associate*

- Promoted Lodi as a fine wine region through the execution of several events and activities;
- Initiated development of local wine directory and signage program;
- Coordinated and oversaw all promotional meetings and events, including hosting international and domestic wine experts.

U.S House of Representatives

Washington, DC

July 1998 - January 2002

- Legislative Assistant

 Tracked legislation and advised Members of Congress on agriculture, budget judiciar
 - Tracked legislation and advised Members of Congress on agriculture, budget, judiciary, land use, taxation and other assigned legislative issues;
 - Managed issues related to Veterans Affairs Committee assignment;

- Provided vote recommendations on legislation;
- Authored legislation that passed through Congress regarding child advocacy issues;
- Counseled Members of Congress on impact of policy decisions on constituents.

BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:

California Ag Leadership Foundation Member, Board of Directors	2018 – Present
National Council of Farmer Cooperatives Member, NCFC Executive Council & Board Council	2015 - Present
California Future Farmers of America Foundation Member, Board Chair	2014 – Present
University of California, Davis Member, Dean's Advisory Council, College of Ag & Environmental Sc	2012 – 2017 iences
Lodi Memorial Hospital Member, Community Advisory Board	2012 - 2017
California Roundtable for Agriculture & the Environment Member, Executive Committee	2010 - 2015
California Agricultural Leadership Program Fellow, Class 39	2008 - 2010

EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Science, Agricultural & Managerial Economics Graduated: June, 1998

University of California, Davis