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**Western Plant Board
90th Annual Meeting
May 5 – 7, 2009
Boise, Idaho**

Resolution No. 3

APPRECIATION TO THE IDAHO STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

The 90th annual meeting of the Western Plant Board, held in the Grove Hotel in Boise, Idaho, was a wonderful business as well as cultural experience for membership, made more memorable by the excellent planning and coordination provided by Idaho State Department of Agriculture. The accommodations and support services provided by the hotel were excellent, and most appreciated when lower than expected temperatures and a light rainfall threatened the opening reception of the meeting. The agricultural tour to a potato processing facility in Nampa and to the Bitner's vineyard nearby showcased Idaho's wonderful agriculture; topping off the tour was a visit to the World Center for the Birds of Prey where important conservation efforts are underway to preserve birds of prey, including, the endangered California condor. The day concluded with a visit to the Basque Museum and Cultural Center where members enjoyed a superb dinner and a culture experience provided by the Basque dancers.

RESOLVED: That the members of the Western Plant Board express their appreciation to the Idaho Department of Agriculture, Mike Cooper, Darcy Heckathorne, Ben Simko, Rick Killebrew, Dick Lawson, Laura Morris, Ruth Herman and Elizabeth Vivrick for hosting the 90th annual meeting of the Western Plant Board in Boise, Idaho. The outstanding hospitality shown by Mike Cooper and his staff was greatly appreciated by membership and federal (USDA, APHIS, PPQ/DHS, CBP) participating agencies.

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