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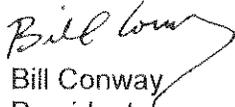
Dear Supervisor Marcanti,

I am writing on behalf of the livestock industry in Gila County. As you may know, our Cattle Growers Association annually puts on a yearling sale at the Burch Sale Yard. A host of volunteers from our county come together to put on a sale that in May 2015 brought in over \$2,000,000 to our county. Using the Chamber of Commerce multiplier of 6 to 7-fold economic impact to the county that would yield a \$12 - \$14 million benefit to our community, produced in a single-day event. We expect a similar outcome this year.

We are most grateful for all the support of the Supervisors in the past. That they value the livestock industry in our area and have willingly allowed the use of a blade, a water truck, tables and chairs and personnel to help set up our tent for the event day greatly appreciated. We understand times and budgets are tougher now but we hope you will appreciate the value of a \$12 million day and respectfully request you consider allowing us the use of the above mentioned equipment, items and personnel for the week before and sale day.

Our sale is set for Monday, May 2, 2016. We thank you in advance for your consideration and the support you are able to afford us this year. We invite you and the entire Board of Supervisors to come by, have lunch and enjoy the livestock auction.

Sincerely,

  
Bill Conway  
President