CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Council President Tyler Maxwell

Is hereby presented to the:

American Heart Association of

Central Valley / Kern County

- **WHEREAS,** The American Heart Association is a nonprofit organization that funds cardiovascular medical research and educates the public on healthy living. Their mission is to be an unrelenting force for a world of longer, healthier lives; and
- *WHEREAS,* The American Heart Association will be celebrating its hundredth year of advocacy, research, and dedication to saving lives in 2024; and
- *WHEREAS,* Cardiovascular disease affects men, women, and children of every age and race and is the leading cause of death in the United States; and
- *WHEREAS,* In 2015, cardiovascular disease accounted for \$555 billion in health care expenditures and lost productivity. By 2035, cardiovascular disease will account for \$1.093 trillion in health care expenditures and lost productivity annually; and
- *WHEREAS,* The global COVID-19 pandemic poses a significantly high risk to individuals with cardiovascular disease and has negatively impacted our society's heart health; and
- *WHEREAS,* The American Heart Association's "Go Red for Women" movement motivates women to learn their family's history and to meet with a health care provider to determine their risk for cardiovascular diseases and stroke; and
- *WHEREAS,* By increasing awareness, speaking up about heart disease, and empowering individuals to reduce their risk for cardiovascular disease, we can help save thousands of lives each year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, Mayor Jerry Dyer and the Fresno City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of February to be:

American Heart Month

in the City of Fresno

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the Great Seal of the City of Fresno, California, this g^{h} day of February of the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-three.

JERRY DYER, Honorable Mayor

ANNALISA PEREA, Council Vice President

MIGUEL ARIAS, Councilmember, District 3

TYLER MAXWELL, Council President

MIKE KARBASSI, Councilmember, District 2

LUIS CHAVEZ, Councilmember, District 5

GARRY BREDEFELD, Councilmember, District 6

NELSON ESPARZA, Councilmember, District 7