

CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Council President Paul Caprioglio

WHEREAS, *Vehicles emit a variety of air pollutants, resulting in increases in ground-level ozone, nitrogen oxides and particulate matter such as particles of dust, soot, smoke, dirt and liquid droplets, and when families decide to lace up their sneakers or strap on their bike helmets to get to school instead of riding in a car, they help reduce the amount of air pollutants emitted by automobiles; and*

WHEREAS, *walking and bicycling to school enables children to incorporate the regular physical activity they need each day while also forming healthy habits that can last a lifetime; and*

WHEREAS, *state and local governments and school districts encourage and promote healthy and active lifestyles for students and residents of our great City of Fresno; and*

WHEREAS, *communities that embrace and encourage walking to school have been found to have less traffic congestion, a strong sense of community, safer streets, and improved accessibility; and*

WHEREAS, *this commemoration shall provide an opportunity for students in the City of Fresno to walk to and from school with a strong effort to promote and encourage a healthy and active lifestyle for students; and*

WHEREAS, *an important role for parents and caregivers is to teach children about pedestrian safety and to become aware of the difficulties and dangers that children face on their trip to school each day; and*

WHEREAS, *students are encouraged to live a healthy and active lifestyle, exhibited by participating with schools throughout the city on “Walk to School Day”.*

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, *that that we, Mayor Lee Brand and the Fresno City Councilmembers, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, October 2, 2019 to be:*

“Walk to School Day”

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 26th day of September 2019.

LEE BRAND, Honorable Mayor

PAUL CAPRIOGLIO, Council President

MIGUEL A. ARIAS, Council Vice President

ESMERALDA SORIA, Councilmember District 1

MIKE KARBASSI, Councilmember District 2

LUIS CHAVEZ, Councilmember District 5

GARRY BREDEFELD, Councilmember District 6

NELSON ESPARZA, Councilmember District 7