

CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Council President Mike Karbassi

WHEREAS, Brian Hughes has served the Fresno community with extraordinary dedication for more than four decades, beginning his EMS career as an EMT only **three days after graduating high school** in June 1983, later becoming a paramedic, 9-1-1 dispatcher, communications specialist, and ultimately Communications Manager for American Ambulance; and

WHEREAS, since joining the Communications Center in 1986, Brian has played an instrumental role in shaping and modernizing Fresno’s 9-1-1 system—overseeing the development, maintenance, and accuracy of the Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) system, supporting dispatch operations, and ensuring the smooth coordination between EMS, fire departments, and partner agencies; and

WHEREAS, Brian has been a steady, dependable, and compassionate presence for more than **100 local first responders**, providing constant support, hands-on leadership, and a willingness to step onto the dispatch floor at any moment, always demonstrating that no task is beneath him and no colleague stands alone; and

WHEREAS, throughout his 42 years of service, Brian’s expertise and work ethic have directly contributed to saving thousands of lives, leaving a lasting impact on the safety and well-being of the Fresno community; and

WHEREAS, as Brian prepares to retire in August after a remarkable career that began and will end at American Ambulance, his legacy stands as a testament to integrity, service, excellence, and the profound difference one person can make in the lives of many.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, Mayor Jerry Dyer and the Fresno City Council, do hereby declare **January 15, 2026** as

“Brian Hughes Day”

in the City of Fresno.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the seal of the City of Fresno, California, this 15th day of January 2026.

JERRY DYER, Honorable Mayor

MIKE KARBASSI, Council President

MIGUEL ARIAS, Council Vice President

ANNALISA PEREA, Councilmember District 1

TYLER MAXWELL, Councilmember District 4

BRANDON VANG, Councilmember District 5

NICK RICHARDSON, Councilmember District 6

NELSON ESPARZA, Councilmember District 7