

CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Mayor Jerry P. Dyer



WHEREAS, for more than 17 years and three mayoral administrations, Adrian Jones served on the Housing Authority of the City of Fresno (Fresno Housing), bringing unique perspectives as a former participant in the Housing Choice Voucher Program, a Fresno Housing staff member, a commissioner, a social worker, and as a tireless community volunteer; and

WHEREAS, Adrian is an accomplished Fresno City Ram and Fresno State Bulldog graduate. She worked diligently to earn her associate degree, a Bachelor of Science in Social Work, and a Master of Science in Marriage and Family Therapy. Adrian is also an engaged community member, having served on many organizations and committees, including the National Association of African American Social Workers and the Mayor’s Citizen Academy; and

WHEREAS, a Fresno native, Adrian is proud to share her story as the first black woman in Fresno Housing’s history to serve as a resident commissioner, then as a commissioner-at-large. She is also the first black woman to serve as board Chair; and

WHEREAS, a mayoral appointee, Adrian’s Fresno Housing service has been exemplary and recognized far beyond Fresno. In 2024, she was named Commissioner of the Year by the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials. “Adrian is amazing,” said the Association’s CEO, Mark Thiele. “Her history, experience and wisdom make her an incomparable leader and champion of affordable housing”; and

WHEREAS, currently Adrian works as an Administrative Supervisor with a local transitional housing program for foster youth, 18-21 years old, who have aged out of the system, teaching them independent living skills. She is also working to form her own 501(c)3 to serve homeless and foster youth individuals; and

WHEREAS, her service to the Fresno community and as a Fresno Housing commissioner make Adrian an inspiration for others. She has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to addressing Fresno’s housing crisis and advocating for affordable housing initiatives.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, Mayor Jerry Dyer and Members of the Fresno City Council, do hereby proclaim December 5, 2024, to be:

“Adrian Jones 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 5th day of December 2024.

JERRY P. DYER, Honorable Mayor

ANNALISA PEREA, Council President

MIKE KARBASSI, Council Vice President

MIGUEL ARIAS, Councilmember District 3

TYLER MAXWELL, Councilmember District 4

LUIS CHAVEZ, Councilmember District 5

GARRY BREDEFELD, Councilmember District 6

NELSON ESPARZA, Councilmember District 7