

***WHEREAS**, the Triple X Fraternity, also known as the Trex Fraternity, was originally formed by eight young Armenians at Fresno High School in 1918; and*

***WHEREAS**, the fraternity was born out of the separation and lack of inclusion of Armenians in the Central Valley in the early 20th century. The students who organized at Fresno High created their own events to enjoy with their fellow Armenians and to continue the strong culture and inclusion of all; and*

***WHEREAS**, as members of the original Fresno chapter were moving out of the central valley in the late 1920s, other chapters were established in the San Francisco Bay Area and Los Angeles. As others moved across California, more chapters were created in strong Armenian communities; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Trex Fraternity has transitioned from a school fraternity to an organization that promotes charity, benevolence, mental improvement and social culture in the communities where they reside and do business in; maintaining their strong Armenian culture while giving back to their community; and*

***WHEREAS**, while rooted with Armenian culture, they also seek to improve their communities, all-the-while upholding the principles of truth, justice and loyalty; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Grand Chapter of the Trex Fraternity has united together a brotherhood that fights for the good of the community as a whole, while putting differences in other facets of social beliefs aside;*

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, Mayor Lee Brand and the Fresno City Councilmembers, do hereby celebrate the CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION of the TRIPLE X FRATERNITY. Not only has the brotherhood fought for the promotion of charity in the Central Valley, but in the State of California and beyond.*

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that we, Mayor Lee Brand and the Fresno City Councilmembers, do hereby proclaim Thursday, August 30, 2018 to be:*

“Trex Fraternity Day”

in the City of Fresno.