

CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Councilmember Mike Karbassi

WHEREAS, Tony Boren has been with Fresno Council of Governments (COG) for 30 years, proudly serving as Executive Director from 2008-2023. Graduating with a master’s degree from Fresno State University in City & Regional Planning and a bachelor’s degree in Public Administration, Tony started his planning career at the City of Fresno, working on Land use Planning, Development Services and Annexations in 1989 before joining Fresno COG in 1993; and

WHEREAS, During his professional career, Tony has executed quality planning principles and a leader in not only finding harmony in the region but the San Joaquin Valley. Under his leadership, Fresno COG has utilized remarkable integrated planning techniques combining transportation, land use and air quality planning for the development of critical projects and plans in the City of Fresno. Tony has worked on and implemented many projects and programs that improved air quality, advanced mobility for people and goods, as well as sustainable planning practices for the Fresno region as well as the San Joaquin Valley; and

WHEREAS, Highlights of Tony’s career include: serving as Fresno COG Executive Director for 15 years, coordinating and implementing the Measure C program’s significant transportation projects, leading three cycles (2014-2022) of the Fresno Council of Governments Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), collaborating with the eight San Joaquin Valley MPOs frequently taking the lead on Valley wide projects and plans, and serving as the Chair of the Fresno State Transportation Institute since its inception; and

WHEREAS, Tony has taken his leave from Fresno COG, and he will still be residing in Fresno County. He will be spending time with his wife, Dena, his daughter, Mattie and his three grandsons. In his spare time, Tony works on his family farm, plays the guitar, and spends quality time with his family.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we Mayor Jerry Dyer and the Fresno City Council recognize the many years of service to the City of Fresno, and do hereby honor:

“Tony Boren”

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 14th day of December 2023.

JERRY P. DYER, Honorable Mayor

MIKE KARBASSI, Councilmember District 2

TYLER MAXWELL, Council President

ANNALISA PEREA, Council Vice President

MIGUEL ARIAS, Councilmember District 3

LUIS CHAVEZ, Councilmember District 5

GARRY BREDEFELD, Councilmember District 6

NELSON ESPARZA, Councilmember District 7