

# CITY OF FRESNO

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*Office of Council President Paul Caprioglio*

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**WHEREAS**, a child of immigrants, Jennifer Phan has overcome barriers as a Vietnamese American, learning English as a second language, driven by determination and perseverance she worked hard to continue her education. Her devotion to education led her to receive a scholarship from the Smittcamp Family Honors College to attend California State University, Fresno (Fresno State); and

**WHEREAS**, Jennifer is currently a senior majoring in Biochemistry and minoring in Mathematics at Fresno State. Her hard work and persistence has led her to receive the highest recognition of the **2019 CSU Trustees' Award for Outstanding Achievement** chosen by California State University (CSU) and was one of twenty-three students throughout the CSU system to receive this honor; and

**WHEREAS**, continuing her education she has maintained a 4.0 grade point average (GPA) while conducting research on natural medicinal projects to fight cancer. She has received multiple awards and scholarships for her studies; and

**WHEREAS**, she is a scholar in service through the Jan and Bud Richter Center for Community Engagement and Service-Learning and an academic research associate for the UCSF Fresno Medical Center. She volunteers with the Community Revitalization Program, at a medical outreach program and mobile health clinic serving Central California residents; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to her studies, she volunteers her time at the Tzu Chi Clinic, a free health clinic that provides medical services for low-income and impoverished residents serving the greater Fresno area community; and

**WHEREAS**, after graduation, she plans to pursue graduate school and plans to continue her mission by dedicating a year to community service or take part in the AmeriCorp's Vista Program before she heads to medical school; and

**WHEREAS**, Jennifer has firmly embodied the Fresno State principles of service, charity, and understanding.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, Mayor Lee Brand and the Fresno City Councilmembers, do hereby proclaim Thursday, December 12, 2019 to be:

## ***“Jennifer Phan 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.*

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**LEE BRAND**, Honorable Mayor

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**PAUL CAPRIOGLIO**, Council President

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**MIGUEL A. ARIAS**, Council Vice President

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**ESMERALDA SORIA**, Councilmember District 1

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**MIKE KARBASSI**, Councilmember District 2

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**LUIS CHAVEZ**, Councilmember District 5

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**GARRY BREDEFELD**, Councilmember District 6

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**NELSON ESPARZA**, Councilmember District 7