

CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Councilmember Esmeralda Soria

Is hereby presented in honor of:

Transgender Day of Visibility 2022

WHEREAS, the annual Transgender Day of Visibility, or “TDOV,” is held on April 2, 2022 in Fresno, California. Trans-E- Motion and Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church invite the community of the Central Valley to attend TDOV to celebrate and gain awareness of the existence of transgender and non-binary gender identities, to educate about and show support for the transgender community, and commemorate the rich gender diversity of our community; and

WHEREAS, this day intends to bring attention to the accomplishments of transgender individuals around the world by sharing factual knowledge of the transgender and non-binary community and fighting cissexism. This is a day for empowerment, affirmation and recognition; and

WHEREAS, Transgender Day of Visibility is a time to highlight transgender and non-binary pride and authenticity. Speaking out, taking direct action, and educating others is critical to transgender and non-binary individual’s safety and well-being, especially for our youth. We must protect transgender and non-binary children and families from hateful, anti-trans laws aimed to cause severe harm and danger to these individuals and their support systems. Our fight for transgender rights and equality continues in our nation and around the world. This is a day to recognize that while visibility is important, we must also take action against transphobia. We acknowledge that visibility with action is a vital tool towards justice and transgender liberation.

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno recognizes that its entire diverse population should have equal rights and opposes any oppression and discrimination which diminishes the quality of life for any City of Fresno resident or visitor, including those in its transgender and gender non-conforming community. It is the duty of all of Fresno to advocate for those who experience hardship as a result of discrimination and inequity. It is only through a community’s unity that we can we overcome injustice towards all groups of people.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Fresno Mayor and City Council hereby proclaim March 24, 2022 to be:

“Transgender Day of Visibility 2022” 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 24th day of March 2022.

ESMERALDA SORIA, Councilmember, District 1

JERRY DYER, Honorable Mayor

MIKE KARBASSI, Councilmember, District 2

LUIS CHAVEZ, Councilmember, District 5

MIGUEL ARIAS, Councilmember, District 3

NELSON ESPARZA, Council President, District 7

TYLER MAXWELL, Council Vice President, District 4