

CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Mayor Lee Brand & The Fresno City Council

Man of the Year Award 2019 Council District Five

WHEREAS, Mr. Timothy Liles is a lifelong resident of Southeast Fresno, who is Cedar Avenue educated, attending Calwa Elementary, Sequoia Middle School, Roosevelt High School, and Fresno State; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Liles is the Principal of Sunnyside High School where he has served for the last 8 years, and he has worked for 27 years for Fresno Unified, dedicating his entire professional life to education; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Liles has worked as a Teacher, and Campus Culture Coordinator, and a Principal at Awahnee Middle School for many years before returning to Southeast Fresno to serve in his current role; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Liles created a campus culture of excellence fostering positive relationships between teachers, students and staff as a foundation for a good education, which have raised graduation rates from 88% to 94%, and A-G completion requirements have gone from 37% of seniors completing them in 2012 to 65% in 2019; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Liles and his staff are proud that Sunnyside High School is amongst the top schools in the Valley that sends students to Fresno State, and is ranked 3rd in the State of California amongst large schools of the percentage of graduates completing the FAFSA Financial Aid Package; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Liles also contributes to the Southeast Fresno community by serving on the Sunnyside Little League Field Rebuilding Committee, the Southeast Fresno Regional Park Development Committee, the Hope Coalition, and he also works with parents of Sunnyside Parent Club every year to coordinate the Summer Sizzle event, which raises money for academic and athletic programs at Sunnyside High School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Liles has worked diligently to create a positive and productive environment at Sunnyside High School, and the surrounding Southeast Fresno neighborhoods, by combining community involvement and career readiness programs in agriculture, visual and performing arts, multimedia and journalism, and the health pathways programs that focus on student success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Liles has created an environment at Sunnyside High School where diversity is celebrated, and every student is welcome into the Wildcat family; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, Mayor Lee Brand and Fresno City Council Members, do hereby honor and recognize Mr. Timothy Liles as the 2019 Council District Five “Man of the Year”; and proclaim Thursday, October 24th, 2019 to be:

“Timothy Liles 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 24th day of October, 2019.

LEE BRAND, Mayor

PAUL CAPRIOGLIO, Council President

MIGUEL ARIAS, Council Vice-President

ESMERALDA SORIA, Councilmember, District 1

MIKE KARBASSI, Councilmember District 2

LUIS CHAVEZ, Councilmember, District 5

GARRY BREDEFELD, Councilmember District 6

NELSON ESPARZA, Councilmember, District 7