

CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Mayor Jerry P. Dyer



WHEREAS, on January 24, 1848, gold was discovered on the American River near Sacramento, which kicked off the California Gold Rush and led to a large influx of people. The discovery came on the heels of a war between the United States and Mexico, which led to the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, which officially ended the war on February 2, 1848; and

WHEREAS, the new arrivals swelled California’s population, which saw Europeans join an already culturally diverse population comprised of Native American tribes that had long lived on the land, along with those of Mexican descent; and

WHEREAS, on September 9, 1850, now known as “Admission Day,” California became the United States’ 31st state; and

WHEREAS, over the decades, California became synonymous with beaches, redwood trees, expansive deserts, beautiful vistas, Hollywood, and the richest agricultural land in the world; and

WHEREAS, today, California is home to more than 39 million people. It attracts millions of visitors annually and is the world’s fourth-largest economy. Led by Fresno County, it is the nation’s leading agricultural producer; and

WHEREAS, contributions to California’s success have come from across the state, including the City of Fresno, where the state’s first community college – Fresno Junior College (now known as Fresno City College) – was established in 1910; and

WHEREAS, California has time and again shown its resilience, using grit and determination to build a diverse society while surviving several major earthquakes, floods, drought and, as of late, wildfires. It is a state that celebrates its diversity and welcomes those who seek to make the California Dream a reality.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, Mayor Jerry Dyer and Members of the Fresno City Council, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, September 9, 2025, to be:

“California’s 175th Anniversary of Statehood 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 11th day of September 2025.

JERRY P. DYER, Honorable Mayor

MIKE KARBASSI, Council President

MIGUEL ARIAS, Council Vice President

ANNALISA PEREA, Councilmember District 1

TYLER MAXWELL, Councilmember District 4

BRANDON VANG, Councilmember District 5

NICK RICHARDSON, Councilmember District 6

NELSON ESPARZA, Councilmember District 7