CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Councilmember Mike Karbassi

- **WHEREAS,** Dr. Eimear O'Brien has 38 years of experience in the field of education. This began in Dublin, Ireland, where she taught for 10 years before moving to Fresno and becoming an elementary school teacher for Our Lady of Victory Elementary School. Dr. O'Brien then joined Clovis Unified in 1996 as a third-grade teacher at Maple Creek Elementary School; and
- **WHEREAS,** Dr. O'Brien served at the elementary and secondary level as a teacher, Guidance Instructional Specialist, Learning Director, Elementary Principal, and High School Deputy Principal before assuming the position of Principal at Clovis West in 2012. Two years later in 2014, she was appointed Assistant Superintendent of the Clovis West Area after obtaining 20 years of experience in the classroom; and
- **WHEREAS**, Dr. O'Brien continued her own path of learning by earning her doctoral degree in Educational Leadership from California State University, Fresno in 2010. In 2017, she was appointed Superintendent of Clovis Unified School District.; and
- **WHEREAS,** Dr. Eimear O'Brien has received a number of awards during her time in education. These include the following: The CLASSI Award, Campaign for Business and Excellence in Education Awards, CSBA Golden Bell Award, CUSD Supremacy Award, California Civic Learning and CBEE Awards, California Grazier Award, Title 1 Academic Achievement Awards, and many more; and
- WHEREAS, Along with the many awards and national recognition Dr. O'Brien's hard work has brought to Fresno, she has also brought local and state grants to our schools, including the Grazier grant, ALEKS grant, Fresno County Innovation Grant, Kaiser innovation grant, CWHS grant, Rabobank robotics, and multiple CUSD Foundation grants among many others. All of these grants total over \$122,000 that Dr. O'Brien has brought to our education system here in Fresno; and
- **WHEREAS,** We thank Dr. O'Brien for the many years of service she has given to Fresno and our students, and we wish her the best in retirement as she returns to Ireland; and
- **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that we Mayor Jerry Dyer and the Fresno City Council recognize the sacrifices and decades of service to the City of Fresno, and do hereby honor:

"Superintendent Dr. Eimear O'Brien"

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 22^{ml} day of June 2023.

JERRY DYER, Honorable Mayor

MIKE KARBASSI, Councilmember District 2

ANNALISA PEREA, Council Vice President

MIGUEL ARIAS, Councilmember District 3

LUIS CHAVEZ, Councilmember District 5

TYLER MAXWELL, Council President

GARRY BREDEFELD, Councilmember District 6

NELSON ESPARZA, Councilmember District 7