

# CITY OF FRESNO

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*Offices of Councilmember Paul Caprioglio and Esmeralda Soria*

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**WHEREAS**, breastfeeding is recommended by major medical organizations as the preferred method of infant feeding and nutrition for infants, adapting over time to meet the changing needs of the growing infant; and

**WHEREAS**, The World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action declared August 1-7, 2019 as World Breastfeeding Week, and the United States Breastfeeding Committee has declared August as National Breastfeeding Month to promote breastfeeding; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Fresno takes their responsibility seriously for nursing mothers, as is demonstrated by the 2015 opening of the “Mother’s Room” at Fresno Yosemite International Airport and the 2016 establishment of the “Mother’s Room” at Fresno City Hall for employees and visiting mothers alike to have a private place to breastfeed or pump; and

**WHEREAS**, thanks to the support from First 5 Fresno County, grant dollars were secured via the efforts of Councilmember Esmeralda Soria to establish the space at Fresno City Hall, which is used regularly; and

**WHEREAS**, collaborating organizations in the City of Fresno and throughout Fresno County are working to further encourage breastfeeding initiation and duration rates by increasing awareness of the numerous benefits associated with breastfeeding;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Fresno hereby proclaims the month of August 2019 as Breastfeeding Awareness Month and will continue to promote and support breastfeeding, for the future health and wellbeing of all infants.

**“Breastfeeding Awareness Month”**

*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 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2019.*

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**PAUL CAPRIOGLIO**, Council President

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**LEE BRAND**, Honorable Mayor

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**MIGUEL ARIAS**, Council Vice President

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**ESMERALDA SORIA**, Councilmember District 1

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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