

# CITY OF FRESNO

*Office of Mayor Jerry P. Dyer*

## *Honoring Historically Black Colleges and Universities*

**WHEREAS**, the Black College Expo, National College Resources Foundation, United Negro College Fund, Devine 9, and others are in support of the White House Initiative on advancing educational equity, excellence and economic opportunity through Historically Black Colleges and Universities; and

**WHEREAS**, National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week encourages students, residents, and community leaders of Fresno to commemorate and bring awareness to the rich history of these institutions of higher learning and their contributions to our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fresno reaffirms support for Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and recognizes the great influence they have had on students in Fresno, and throughout history. Education is freedom—freedom is to learn, to grow, and to achieve students’ highest goals and aspirations; and

**WHEREAS**, by encouraging and strengthening partnerships and participation within the schools, media, and community, and by holding conferences and fairs throughout the year, Historically Black Colleges and Universities help prepare students to excel, and produce more African American and other underserved communities graduates.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that we, Mayor Jerry Dyer and Members of the Fresno City Council, do hereby proclaim week of September 16-20 2023 to be:

### “National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week”

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 28th day of September 2023.*

JERRY P. DYER, Honorable Mayor

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