

# CITY OF FRESNO

*Office of Mayor Jerry P. Dyer*



## *In Honor of Animal Shelter Appreciation Week*

**WHEREAS**, The Humane Society of the United States in 1996 named November's first full week as National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week to highlight animal welfare organizations' role in communities across the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, Fresno area animal welfare organizations provide critical community services such as adoption, low or no cost sterilizations, vaccination clinics, veterinary care, and community cat care; and

**WHEREAS**, animal welfare organizations make positive contributions to the lives of animals and humans alike: helping reunite lost pets with their families, investigating and prosecuting animal cruelty cases, caring for community cat populations, rescuing injured animals, organizing animal rescue transportation, and providing educational resources to the public; and

**WHEREAS**, animal welfare organization workers often volunteer their services, work tirelessly, endlessly, and are great advocates for the animals and citizens they serve; and

**WHEREAS**, there are an estimated six- to eight-million homeless animals that seek refuge each year. Animal welfare organizations work to find forever homes for these animals; and

**WHEREAS**, every day local animal welfare staffs provide care and comfort to shelter animals and serve their communities with dignity, kindness, compassion, and respect; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fresno recognizes local animal welfare organizations and their staffs for the long hours of work they perform in serving both the animals and residents of our community, and for their passion and commitment to help animals.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that we, Mayor Jerry Dyer, City Manager Georgeanne White and Members of the Fresno City Council, do hereby proclaim November 5-11 to be:

## **“National Animal Shelter Appreciation 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 2nd day of November 2023.*

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JERRY P. DYER, Honorable Mayor

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TYLER MAXWELL, Council President

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ANNALISA PEREA, Vice President

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