

CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Mayor Jerry Dyer & The Fresno City Council

WHEREAS, the month of June 2023 has been declared Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month to help educate the public on this debilitating disease and the need to increase efforts to combat its human and economic costs; and

WHEREAS, the summer solstice, June 21, 2023, has been declared The Longest Day, with people around the world coming together to honor the strength, passion, and endurance of people facing Alzheimer's disease with a day of activity and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's disease, a progressive neurodegenerative brain disorder, tragically robs individuals of their memories and leads to cognitive decline resulting in functional, emotional, and behavioral impairment and is the third leading cause of death in California today; and

WHEREAS, Disparities in detection and diagnosis persist, resulting in less than 50 percent of individuals affected by the disease receiving a formal diagnosis that is disclosed to them by a clinician and documented in their medical record; and

WHEREAS, California has 690,000 residents living with Alzheimer's disease, more than any other state in the nation. Fresno County had 14,643 residents living with Alzheimer's disease in 2019 and that number is expected to grow 112% by 2040; and

WHEREAS, individuals living with Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers need acknowledgment, support, and services to meet their needs over the lengthy progression of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, Mayor Jerry Dyer and the Council of the City of Fresno, do hereby recognize June 2023 as Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month and Tuesday, June 21st, 2023, as The Longest Day, and urges all Californians to commemorate the month of June 2023 to be:

“Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the Seal of The City of Fresno, California, this 22nd day of June 2023.

MAYOR JERRY DYER

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