

**WHEREAS**, Frank Ramos, a resident of West Fresno, a graduate of San Joaquin High School, and a 1960 Fresno State College graduate began his illustrious career with the U.S. Treasury Department, Internal Revenue Service (IRS); and

**WHEREAS**, Frank Ramos, over the course of his employment with the IRS, held crucial positions in the Tax Compliance, Tax Processing, Tax Accounts, Collection, and Taxpayer Information Divisions in California, Arizona, and West Virginia. Mr. Ramos paved the way for Latinos to hold high-level positions; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1971, Mr. Ramos was a member of a handpicked national IRS team tasked to plan and execute the startup operation of a new 8,000-employee IRS Tax Return Processing Center in Fresno; the largest employer in the Fresno community at the time; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1989 Mr. Ramos was recruited for a senior executive position in the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) during the George H. W. Bush Administration where he was the only Latino Senior Executive to serve on the SBA in the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1999, Mr. Ramos was recruited to serve as the Chief Deputy Director for the Department of Minority Business Enterprise during the Administration of Governor James Gilmore III in Richmond, Virginia. During his second year in this position, Mr. Ramos was recruited by the Department of Defense Transition Team for then-President George W. Bush's Administration. Mr. Ramos served as the Director of Small Business Programs for all the Department of Defense military branches for which he was awarded the Secretary of Defense Medal for Exceptional Public Service for his great leadership; and

**WHEREAS**, we celebrate Frank Ramos for his remarkable leadership, his countless accomplishments, and his unwavering dedication to public service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, Fresno City Council and Mayor Jerry Dyer, do hereby proclaim the 5<sup>th</sup> of October 2023 to be:

**“Frank Ramos Day”** in the City of Fresno.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the Great Seal of the City of Fresno, California, on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October 2023.