

CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Mayor Lee Brand and Councilmember Luis Chavez



National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month

Whereas, Fresno EOC Sanctuary and Youth Services Central Valley Against Human Trafficking project assisted and identified over 550 victims of human trafficking from our local communities; and

Whereas, the Central Valley Against Human Trafficking project provides resources to empower self-sufficiency, restore dignity, and support recovery from trauma for survivors; and

Whereas, the International Labor Organization recognizes there are an estimated 40.3 million people in modern slavery globally where one in four victims are children; and

Whereas, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children estimates one out of six endangered runaways are likely child sex trafficking victims; and

Whereas, the U.S. Department of Labor identified 139 goods from 75 countries made by forced and child labor; and

Whereas, The City of Fresno recognizes the need for greater awareness and accountability in regard to modern-day slavery.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, Mayor Lee Brand, Councilmember Luis Chavez and Members of the Fresno City Council, do hereby proclaim January, 2019, to be:

“National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention 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 17th day of January, 2019.

LEE BRAND, Mayor

STEVE BRANDAU, Council President

ESMERALDA SORIA, Councilmember District 1

MIGUEL ARIAS, Councilmember District 3

PAUL CAPRIOGLIO, Councilmember District 4

LUIS CHAVEZ, Councilmember District 5

GARRY BREDEFELD, Councilmember District 6

NELSON ESPARZA, Councilmember, District 7