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**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Honorable Jerry Dyer, Mayor  
City of Fresno  
2600 Fresno Street  
Fresno, CA 93721

**RE: SUPPORT—Agenda Item #ID 22-1718 Fresno City Agenda**

Dear Mayor Dyer,

I write to strongly support Item **#ID 22-1718** on the November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, Fresno City Council Agenda. This item is related to directing City staff to hire a consultant to perform a feasibility study for the City of Fresno to provide electricity to its residents. And, to provide all options including the possibility of the city forming its own District as we have experienced failure to timely energize new projects in our community. As you may know, there are many Publicly Owned Utilities (POU) in California such as the City of Sacramento, City of Alameda, City of Glendale and the City of Los Angeles.

In addition, being able to have local input and oversight is critical for both ratepayers and the development community. With proper oversight, localization can be more efficient, increase service and accelerate emerging new projects. I have advocated for the formation of a local utility district for decades as I strongly believe that it will be beneficial for our residents. Therefore, I commend and support your efforts as we make this community even greater than it is today. Furthermore, if I can be of any assistance on this issue, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Edward M. Kashian

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