

# CITY OF FRESNO

*Office of Councilmember Mike Karbassi*

**WHEREAS**, on October 26, 2005, the World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly as the appropriate acknowledgement for victims of road traffic crashes and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose is to remember the millions of people killed in roadway crashes world-wide each year; an average of 3,195 lives lost annually in California last decade, and according to Fresno PD, 58 people were killed on Fresno’s roadways last year. According to UC Berkeley's Safe Transportation Research & Education Center, this is higher than Fresno’s average of 38 deaths over the past decade- numbers that also represent loved ones and friends whose lives will be forever altered by these losses; and

**WHEREAS**, it is also meant to serve as an opportunity to thank emergency service providers and first responders, to reflect on the tremendous burden and emotional consequences of road traffic crashes to families and communities and to commit to taking steps to create a strategic plan to end traffic deaths in Fresno; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Transportation has recently committed itself to implementing a National Roadway Safety Strategy

**WHEREAS**, as a City, we strive to make our streets safe for all road users, including motorists, pedestrians, cyclists, transit users, and those living with limited mobility or disabilities.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, Mayor Jerry Dyer and Fresno City Councilmembers do hereby recognize:

**“World Day of Remembrance”**

*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 10<sup>th</sup> day of February 2022.*

**JERRY DYER**, Honorable Mayor

**ESMERALDA SORIA**, Councilmember District 1

**MIKE KARBASSI**, Councilmember District 2

**MIGUEL ARIAS**, Councilmember District 3

**TYLER MAXWELL**, Councilmember District 4

**LUIS CHAVEZ**, Council President

**GARRY BREDEFELD**, Councilmember District 6

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