## CITY OF FRESNO

## Mayor and City Council Offices

## **Cambodian Heritage Month**

- **WHEREAS,** The City of Fresno recognizes the numerous contributions of Cambodians to our great city; and
- **WHEREAS,** The Cambodian people have a long and rich history, vibrant language, and ancient culture dating back 4000 years, including the temples of Angkor; and
- WHEREAS, On April 17, 1975, the Khmer Rouge seized control of Cambodia, beginning the Cambodian Genocide, where from 1975 to 1979, approximately 1.7 million people (21% of the entire Cambodian population) lost their lives; and
- **WHEREAS,** After 1979, Cambodian refugees and immigrants came to the United States to escape war and Genocide including resettling in Fresno, California; and
- WHEREAS, April serves as a time to remember those lost in the Cambodian Genocide.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, Mayor Jerry Dyer, and the Fresno City Council, do hereby proclaim April 28, 2022, to be:

## "Cambodian Heritage 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 28th day of April 2022.

MAYOR JERRY DYER	COUNCILMEMBER LUIS CHAVEZ
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