

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, On July 26, 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed into law the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to ensure the civil rights of people with disabilities. This legislation established a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities. On July 26, 2015, we will celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the ADA.

WHEREAS, The ADA has expanded opportunities for Americans with disabilities by reducing barriers and changing perceptions, and increasing full participation in community life. However, the full promise of the ADA will only be reached if we remain committed to continue our efforts to fully implement the ADA.

WHEREAS, On the 25th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, we celebrate and recognize the progress that has been made by reaffirming the principles of equality and inclusion and recommitting our efforts to reach full ADA compliance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that, the City of Fresno does hereby reaffirm to continue to work toward full ADA compliance and we recognize the month of July 2015 to be the:

## "25TH ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT"

## IN WITNESS WHEREOF,

I have hereunto set our hands and affixed the Seal of the City of Fresno, California, this 16th day of July, 2015.

ASHLEY SWEARENGIN, Honorable Mayor

STEVE BRANDAU, Councilmember District 2

PAUL CAPRIOGLIO, Council Vice President

ESMERALDA SORIA, Councilmember District 1

OLIVER L. BAINES, III, Council President

SAL QUINTERO, Councilmember District 5

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