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Contents of Supplement: Letter from Fresno County Farm Bureau
Item(s)

Title: BILL - (For introduction) – Adding Article 17 to Chapter 10 of the Fresno Municipal Code relating to Unlawful Camping (Citywide)

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August 10, 2017

Councilmember Steve Brandau
Fresno City Council
2100 Fresno St.
Fresno, CA 93721

RE: Support of Unhealthy and Hazardous Camping Control Act

Dear Councilmember Brandau,

On behalf of Fresno County Farm Bureau (FCFB), I write in support of the "Unhealthy and Hazardous Camping Control Act".

In recent months, our FCFB office, located north of Roeding Park near Caltrans and the California Highway Patrol, has experienced a significant increase of campers on our property and on the adjacent city property. Many individuals have taken up residence on the sidewalk and streets. We have had our property defaced and damaged by these individuals who refuse to leave the area. While we understand this ordinance will not be a solve-all, it will be a tool to help Fresno Police Department combat this issue.

We are requesting that the Fresno City Council and Mayor Lee Brand to support this measure and implement it as immediately as possible instead of the proposed 31-day period. The safety of our employees and members coming to and from our office has continued become more worrisome, as these campers and their animals remain nearby all hours of the day.

FCFB thanks you for spearheading the Unhealthy and Hazardous Camping Control Act, and we look forward to working with you in the future on additional solutions to this issue.

Sincerely,

Ryan Jacobsen
CEO

CC: Councilmembers Oliver Baines, Garry Bredefeld, Paul Caprioglio, Luis Chavez, Clint Olivier and Esmeralda Soria
City Manager Wilma Quan-Schecter
Mayor Lee Brand

