

CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Council President Esmeralda Soria

“Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month”

WHEREAS, Every May we recognize Teen Pregnancy as a public health issue that is associated with numerous immediate and life-long economic and social impacts that affect both teen parents and their children; and

WHEREAS, It is important to promote effective abstinence and contraceptive education, engage youth in programs that enhance their development, and empower youth to make healthy decisions; and

WHEREAS, There continues to be disparities among various racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic groups in preparing youth to avoid teenage pregnancy. The San Joaquin Valley teenage birth rate is the second highest rate for a region in California with the average of 55 births per 1000 women ages 15-19 years old; and

WHEREAS, Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month is an opportunity for parents, teens, educators, program providers, faith based organizations, local elected leaders and policy makers to work together to reduce and prevent teen pregnancy in the City of Fresno; and

WHEREAS, Fresno Barrios Unidos in partnership with the Fresno Unified School District works tirelessly throughout our community to provide comprehensive reproductive health education to all high school freshmen and will be including middle schools by the next school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Fresno does hereby proclaim, May 2018 to be:

“Teen Pregnancy Prevention 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 10th day of May 2018.

LEE BRAND, Honorable Mayor

ESMERALDA SORIA, Council President

STEVE BRANDAU, Council Vice President District 2

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