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*****RESOLUTION – In support of the Voter's Choice Act. (Subject to Mayor's veto)**

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE VOTER'S
CHOICE ACT

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2019, the Fresno County Board of Supervisors voted to transition to the Voter's Choice Act (VCA) election model in March 2020, rather than continuing with the current precinct model; and

WHEREAS, the VCA model increases voter's opportunity to receive service by increasing the days and opportunities for voters to vote, and reduces the total number of staff that must be recruited and trained for elections, resulting in well-trained, experienced staff; and

WHEREAS, the County held five community outreach meetings regarding the transition, and the majority of attendees favored the VCA model over the current precinct model; and

WHEREAS, the VCA requires participating counties to file and follow an education and outreach plan to prepare their citizenry for the voting method change; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno supports the County's change to the VCA model and wishes to participate in the citizen outreach.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

1. The City of Fresno supports Fresno County's transition to the VCA election model in March 2020.

Date Adopted:

Date Approved:

Effective Date:

City Attorney Approval: _____

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2. The Council hereby requests to participate in education and outreach meetings required by the VCA.

3. The Council hereby requests the County Clerk provide notice to the Council regarding the date, time, and location of all future community meetings regarding the transition and any public hearings held in compliance with the VCA.

4. As allowed within federal and state grant requirements, City staff will work with the County Clerk to provide free or reduced price rides using City buses. On on days ballots are being accepted during the voting period, anyone showing a ballot can receive free City bus transportation to and from Voting Assistance Centers. City Staff will also work with the County Clerk to ensure that voting centers are placed along or near City bus routes..

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, YVONNE SPENCE, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____ 2019.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2019
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2019
Mayor Veto: _____, 2019
Council Override Vote: _____, 2019

YVONNE SPENCE, MMC CRM
City Clerk

By: _____
Deputy Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DOUGLAS T. SLOAN
City Attorney

By: _____
Katie Doerr Date
Chief Assistant City Attorney

Attachment: Exhibit A