## CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Councilmember Esmeralda Soria

## Is hereby presented to: Community Link, Inc.

- **WHEREAS,** The 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Fresno Pride Parade will be held on Saturday, June 1, 2019. Pride originated as a result of the riots at Stonewall Inn in 1969; the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community desired better representation and a day to celebrate and recognize their own culture. Today lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender Americans form an important part of our national tapestry and have contributed to every facet of our society; and
- **WHEREAS,** The 2019 Fresno Pride Festival invites people from all over the Central Valley to participate in the activities provided to educate and celebrate each other, and commemorate the rich diversity of our LGBTQLA+ community. This year's theme is "Together We Pride," to represent how through unity, our community has accomplished milestones; and
- **WHEREAS,** The City of Fresno recognizes that its entire population should have equal rights and will speak against any oppression and discrimination which diminishes the quality of life for any Fresno resident or visitor, including those in its lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community; and

**WHEREAS,** It is our duty to advocate for all of those who experience a hardship as a result of discrimination and inequity. It is only through a community's unity that we can overcome injustice towards all groups of people.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the City of Fresno Mayor and City Council does hereby proclaim June 1, 2019 to be:

## *"Fresno Pride Parade & Festival Day"*

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 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 2019.

ESMERALDA SORIA, Councilmember, District 1

LEE BRAND, Honorable Mayor

PAUL CAPRIOGLIO, Council President, District 4

LUIS CHAVEZ, Councilmember, District 5

GARRY BREDEFELD, Councilmember, District 6

MIGUEL ARIAS, Council Vice-President, District 3

NELSON ESPARZA, Councilmember, District 7