

CITY OF FRESNO

Office of Councilmember Esmeralda Soria

Is hereby presented in honor of:

Immigrant Heritage Month

WHEREAS, *The City of Fresno recognizes its long and rich history of immigrants that have played a vital role in diversifying our community. Immigration is built in the foundation of this great nation, it is a source of the strength we hold, and something we should all take pride in; and*

WHEREAS, *Arabic, Armenian, Cambodian, Chinese, Gujarati, Hmong, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Persian, Punjabi, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog, Thai, and Vietnamese are among the most common languages that are spoken in the Central Valley as a result of immigration. This melting pot of different cultures constitutes a population of around 900,000 people in the Central Valley, about 11 million people state wide, and over 44.5 million people across the United States of America; and*

WHEREAS, *Immigrants have paved the way for generations to come and become leaders in many professions such as agriculture, arts, business, education, healthcare, law, the military, technology, trade, and transportation; and*

WHEREAS, *Immigrants have been persistent in securing their rights and access to equal opportunities, as well as having campaigned to create a more fair and just society not only for immigrants, but for all Americans. The goal of Immigrant Heritage Month is to celebrate all the monumental contributions that immigrants have made and continue to make every day.*

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

“Immigrant Heritage 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 13th day of June 2019.

ESMERALDA SORIA, Councilmember, District 1

LEE BRAND, Honorable Mayor

PAUL CAPRIOGLIO, Council President, District 4

MIGUEL ARIAS, Council Vice-President, District 3

LUIS CHAVEZ, Councilmember, District 5

GARRY BREDEFELD, Councilmember, District 6

NELSON ESPARZA, Councilmember, District 7