

1 BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

2 OF THE COUNTY OF FRESNO

3 STATE OF CALIFORNIA

4 ORDINANCE NUMBER 23-016

5 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ORDINANCE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF
6 FRESNO BY AMENDING SECTION 3.08.110 OF CHAPTER 3.08 – CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM
7 OF TITLE 3 – PERSONNEL PERTAINING TO EMPLOYEES – POLITICAL ACTIVITY.

8 The Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno ordains as follows:

9 **Section 1.** That Subsection (A)(5), prohibiting County officers and employees from
10 directly or indirectly soliciting political funds or contributions, knowingly, from other officers or
11 employees of the County or persons on the employment list of the County, be deleted in its
12 entirety from Subsection (A) of Section 3.08.110, Employees – Political Activity of Chapter 3.08
13 – Civil Service System of Title 3 – Personnel of the Ordinance Code of the County of Fresno
14 (“Subsection (A) of Section 3.08.110”).

15 **Section 2.** That Subsections (A)(6) and (A)(7) of Subsection (A) of Section 3.08.110
16 shall be renumbered as Subsections (A)(5) and A(6) of Subsection (A) of Section 3.08.110,
17 respectively.

18 **Section 3.** That Subsection (A) of Section 3.08.110 shall be amended to read as
19 follows:

20 A. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, no officer or employee of the
21 county, in either classified or unclassified civil service, shall do any of the following:

- 22 1. Engage in any political activity in connection with any election during his hours of
23 employment by the county. As used in this section, hours of employment refers
24 to time charged by the officer or employee to the county for payroll purposes,
25 excluding break and lunch periods and periods of annual leave;

2. Engage in any political activity in connection with any election while on county premises or while using county property; except, that at times other than during hours of employment, the county officers and employees may participate in political meetings held on county premises pursuant to the provisions of this code or the county administrative code;
3. Knowingly permit any county premises, property or facility under his control to be entered or used for any political activity in connection with any election, except:
 - a. As required by county officers or employees in the administration of elections, or
 - b. When the use of said county premises or facility for a political activity has been authorized pursuant to the provisions of this code or the county administrative code.
4. Directly or indirectly use, promise, threaten or attempt to use any county office, authority, or influence, whether then possessed or merely anticipated, to confer upon or secure for any individual person, or to aid or obstruct any individual person in securing, or to prevent any individual person from securing, any position, nomination, confirmation, promotion, or change in compensation or position upon consideration or condition that the vote or political influence or action of such person or another shall be given or used on behalf of, or withheld from, any candidate, officer, party, or ballot proposition, or upon any other corrupt condition or consideration. This prohibition shall apply to urging or discouraging the individual employee's actions;
5. At any time while in uniform of a kind prescribed for or usually worn by any class of officer or employee of the county or while in or about a county-owned automobile then under his control take part in any campaign or election

1 whatsoever or solicit any funds, contributions or services on account of any
2 campaign or election;

- 3 6. In connection with any election, engage in any political activity whatsoever
4 prohibited by federal or state law, whether specifically mentioned in this section
5 or not.

6 **Section 4.** Except as herein amended, Subsection (A) of Section 3.08.110 shall
7 continue in full force and effect according to its provisions.

8 **Section 5.** This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after final passage.

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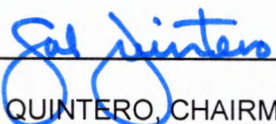
1 THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of
2 Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 12th day of December, 2023, to wit:

3 AYES: Supervisors Brandau, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco, Quintero


4 NOES: None

5 ABSENT: None

6 ABSTAINED: None

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9 SAL QUINTERO, CHAIRMAN of the
10 Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno

11 **ATTEST:**
12 Bernice E. Seidel
13 Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Fresno, State of California

14 By: 
15 Deputy

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