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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
2025 GARNET FIRE
IN FRESNO COUNTY

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE
EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the California Emergency Services Act (Government Code section 8630, et seq.) establishes procedures for proclaiming emergencies and responding promptly to the needs that arise during emergencies; and

WHEREAS, section 2.44.060.A. of the Fresno County Code and Section 8630 of the Government Code empower the Emergency Services Director or his designee, or the Board of Supervisors if in session, to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the County is affected by or likely to be affected by a public calamity; and

WHEREAS, beginning on August 26, 2025, the Garnet Fire, burning within Fresno County, has created conditions of extreme peril to public safety, including threats to lives, private property, essential utility infrastructure, and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, this wildfire has necessitated evacuation of residents, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the magnitude and rapid spread of the fire may exceed the combined capabilities of local code enforcement, personnel, equipment, facilities, and finances, thus requiring mutual aid support; and

WHEREAS, the County Administrative Officer/Emergency Services Director proclaimed a local emergency on August 26, 2025; and

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors ratifies the proclamation of a local emergency proclaimed by the Emergency Services Director of the County of Fresno on August 26, 2025; and

1 IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local
2 emergency, the powers, functions, and duties for the emergency organization of this County shall
3 be those prescribed by state law, ordinances and resolutions of this County, and by the Fresno
4 County Operational Area Master Emergency Services Plan, as approved by the Board of
5 Supervisors; and

6 IT IS REQUESTED that the Governor of California make available assistance programs
7 including, but not limited to, California Disaster Assistance Act, and seek Federal assistance
8 programs to provide relief to the individuals, businesses, public and private agencies that are
9 harmed by this disaster; and

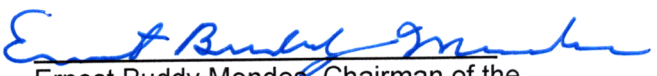
10 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the State
11 Director of the Office of Emergency Services.

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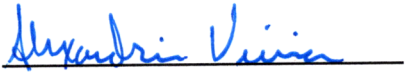
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THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 29th day of August, 2025, to-wit:

AYES: Supervisors Bredefeld, Chavez, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAINED: None


Ernest Buddy Mendes, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno

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

By: 
Deputy