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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 17-372

IN THE MATTER OF RECOGNIZING AND)
CONGRATULATING ANANYA VINAY ON)
HER SPECTACULAR ACHIEVEMENTS)
AT THE 2017 SCRIPPS NATIONAL)
SPELLING BEE)

WHEREAS, for nine decades the Scripps National Spelling Bee has challenged youth from across the United States and the world in an effort to promote literacy among the next generation; and

WHEREAS, the iconic competition hosts the winners of sponsored regional spelling bees nationwide where over eleven million students compete in classrooms, schools and local events around the country including spelling bees hosted throughout Fresno County; and

WHEREAS, Ananya Vinay, a 12-year-old student at Fugman Elementary School in Fresno and Volunteer at the Fresno Community Food Bank, has victoriously prevailed as the Fresno County Champion multiple times, allowing her to advance to the national competition on more than one occasion; and

WHEREAS, after 36 rounds of competition and acing words such as "konditorei," and "heilighenschein," Ananya took first place by successfully defeating 290 other contestants to emerge as the 2017 Scripps National Bee Champion, winning \$40,000 in cash, a \$2500 U.S. savings bond, a Kindle, and a complete reference library, among other things; and

WHEREAS, since Ananya's victory, she has appeared on multiple national television programs including "Good Morning America," "Today," "Live with Kelly and Ryan," and "Jimmy Kimmel," where she has continuously represented Fresno County with humility and poise.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby recognize and congratulate Ananya Vinay on her spectacular achievements at the 2017 Scripps National Spelling Bee.

THE FOREGOING was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 11th day of July, 2017, to-wit:

AYES: Supervisors, Borgeas, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco, Quintero
NOES: None
ABSENT: None



CHAIRMAN, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
BERNICE E. SEIDEL
Clerk, Board of Supervisors

By Susan Bishop
Deputy