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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING OCTOBER)
2018 AS "SIDS/SUID AWARENESS MONTH"

RESOLUTION NO. 18-354

WHEREAS, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) and Sudden Unexpected Infant Death (SUID) are classified as the death of an infant less than 1 year of age that occurs suddenly and unexpectedly, and whose cause of death is not immediately obvious before investigation. Most SUID cases are reported as one of three types, SIDS, unknown cause and Accidental Suffocation and Strangulation in Bed (ASSB); and

WHEREAS, SIDS/SUID remains the leading cause of death for infants one month to one year of age and is the third leading cause of infant mortality in the United States with approximately 3600 deaths in 2016. SIDS/SUID invades all social, economic, racial, cultural, ethnic and religious groups, however the African American SUID rate is 2.5 times greater than other racial groups. SIDS/SUID is not contagious, predictable or preventable and typically occurs suddenly and silently during sleep with no signs of suffering; and

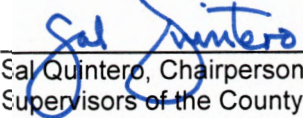
WHEREAS, By increasing public awareness in our community and working with our professional partners to stress of the importance of a safe sleep environment and the benefit it can have in the reduction of risk of a SIDS/SUID or other sleep related death; and

WHEREAS, The Fresno County Department of Public Health SIDS program, by following the American Academy of Pediatrics 2016 Recommendations for a Safe Infant Sleeping Environment, and guided by such entities as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Institutes of Health and the Maternal Child Health Bureau, continues to provide risk reduction education to our community and our professional partners. The SIDS coordinator works closely with our grief stricken families to offer support and connection to local grief/bereavement and counseling support services through our Public Health Champions, Angel Babies.

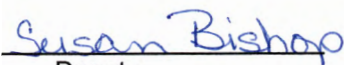
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim the month of October 2018 as **"SIDS/SUID Awareness Month in Fresno County"**.

THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 9th day of October, 2018, to-wit:

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


Sal Quintero, Chairperson 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