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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
COUNTY OF FRESNO  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-334**

**IN THE MATTER OF A PROCLAMATION CONGRATULATING )  
THE SIERRA GATEWAY TRUST AND JAMES M. SPITZE ON )  
THE PUBLISHING OF "TREASURES EN ROUTE TO SEQUOIA )  
AND KINGS NATIONAL PARK" )**

**WHEREAS**, Highway 180 in Eastern Fresno County, a state designated Scenic Highway, also known as The Sierra Gateway Highway, provides access to Kings Canyon and Sequoia National Parks and the natural and cultural treasures therein; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sierra Gateway Trust, Inc. is a California 501(c)(3) educational organization devoted to the preservation of the lands surrounding Highway 180 from the Kings River to the Zumwalt Meadow; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sierra Gateway Trust's mission is to maintain and enhance the aesthetic and environmental qualities of Fresno County's gateway to Kings Canyon and Sequoia National Parks while maintaining the traditional agricultural base of the gateway area, to encourage the development of appropriate tourism in this sector, and to promote appreciation of the cultural, historic, and natural resources of the gateway; and

**WHEREAS**, in mid 2021 author and historian James. M. Spitze, in partnership with the Sierra Gateway Trust, published his fourth book entitled Treasures en route to Sequoia and Kings National Parks, a detailed and beautifully published record of the natural and cultural resources of Eastern Fresno County; and

**WHEREAS**, James M. Spitze is a fourth generation Californian and local rancher near the historic community of Minkler with a love for the outdoors and for all aspects of California history. James is a member of numerous historical organizations, including E Clampus Vitus or "The Clampers", and all of James's books detail an aspect of California history; and

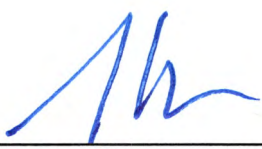
**WHEREAS**, James M. Spitze and the Sierra Gateway Trust are extremely proud of Treasures en route to Sequoia and Kings National Parks and desire the book to be a resource for local historians, the tourism industry, and the Fresno County community at large.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby congratulate the Sierra Gateway Trust and James M. Spitze on the publishing of Treasures en route to Sequoia and Kings National Park and thank them for their efforts to honor and preserve Fresno County history.

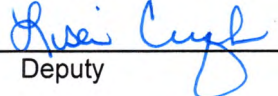
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**THE FOREGOING**, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021, to-wit:

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

  
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Steve Brandau, 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   
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Deputy