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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF FRESNO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION NO. 25-308

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PROCLAIM OCTOBER 2025 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE) AWARENESS MONTH IN THE COUNTY OF FRESNO)

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WHEREAS, domestic violence impacts countless individuals, without regard to age, race, religion, or economic status; as victims suffer at the hands of a spouse or partner, it affects their children, families, and the entire community. Domestic violence is widespread and affects over 12 million men and women in the United States each year, and at its most tragic level, kills an average of three women every day; and

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WHEREAS, more than 12,000 domestic violence calls were received by Fresno County law enforcement last year, with more than 9,100 reports filed, and as Fresno County's only dedicated provider of domestic violence safe housing and comprehensive support services, Marjaree Mason Center served over 8,482 adults and children impacted by domestic violence last year, including over 81,000 nights of safe shelter; and

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WHEREAS, each October, the formal recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month allows the community to acknowledge and show their support for survivors and advocates to end the cycle of abuse through education; and

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WHEREAS, each year, the Marjaree Mason Center hosts the Top Ten Professional Women Awards in October to highlight the contributions of professional women while also raising awareness of domestic violence. This signature community event will be on Wednesday, October 15 at the Fresno Convention Center with keynote speaker, Fresno County Deputy District Attorney, Rachel Baskin, with moderator David Carr, who will come together to discuss the power of second chances, justice, and healing-offering hope to those still living in fear and courage to those ready to speak out; and

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WHEREAS, Purple Thursday, October 16, is a national day dedicated to remembering the victims of domestic violence, to supporting survivors, and to raising awareness on local resources available to put an end to domestic violence.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim the month of October 2025 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and urge all citizens of Fresno County to work together to end the cycle of violence in our community.

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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 7th day of October 2025, to-wit:

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AYES: Supervisors Bredefeld, Chavez, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco

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NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

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County of Fresno, State of California

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

ATTEST: