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## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**COUNTY OF FRESNO** STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF MULTIPLE ) SCLEROSIS AWARENESS WEEK) RESOLUTION NO 15-043

WHEREAS, Multiple Sclerosis affects over 800 residents and their families in Fresno County and over 2.3 million people worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Multiple Sclerosis is a disease of the central nervous system that interrupts the flow of information from the brain to the body and stops people from moving; and

WHEREAS, Multiple Sclerosis is typically diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 50 (with two to three times more women than men having been diagnosed), although an estimated 8,000-10,000 children under the age of 18 also live with MS; and

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has declared March 2-8, 2015, to be Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week, when the Society helps address the challenges of living with Multiple Sclerosis through a 50-state network of chapters that fund MS research, provide services to people with Multiple Sclerosis and their families, offer professional education and further advocacy efforts; and

WHEREAS, Walk MS in Fresno County will take place on Saturday April 25, 2015, at Fig Garden Village in Fresno with festivities for the entire family.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims March 2-8, 2015, as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week and proclaims April 25, 2015, as Walk MS Day in Fresno County.

Adopted by the Fresno County Board of Supervisors this 24<sup>h</sup> day of February, 2015, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

Supervisors Borgeas, Perea, Mendes, Pacheco, Poochigian

NOES: Absent: None

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