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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 19-189

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING MAY 2019)
AS "FOSTER CARE MONTH" IN FRESNO COUNTY)

WHEREAS, Each May, National Foster Care Month provides an opportunity to shine a light on the experiences of the more than 437,000 children and youth in the foster care system nationwide. Currently there are just under 2,000 children in foster care in Fresno County; and

WHEREAS, No matter their age, all children in foster care need a meaningful connection to at least one caring adult who becomes a supportive and lasting presence in their lives. Without families or stable relationships, too many of these formerly neglected and/or abused children and teens will end up facing life's challenges alone; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the nation and in Fresno County in particular, everyday people are serving as foster parents, relative caregivers, mentors, advocates, social workers and volunteers. Thanks to these unsung heroes, many formerly abused or neglected children and teens will either reunite with their parents, be cared for by relatives, or be adopted by loving families; and

WHEREAS, Foster Care Month gives the community a chance to honor the dedicated relatives, foster families, social workers, public and private service agencies, and community partners who have worked together to ensure a better life for many of Fresno County's children; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims May 2019 as "Foster Care Month" in Fresno County. The Board calls upon the citizens of Fresno County to join them in honoring those who have shown a commitment to our children by providing them with a loving and nurturing environment.

THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 7th day of May, 2019, to-wit:

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


Nathan Magsig, 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 Susan Bishop
Deputy