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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 21-316

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 2021 AS)
"NATIONAL PREMATURETY AWARENESS MONTH")
IN FRESNO COUNTY)

WHEREAS, preterm birth is the delivery of an infant before 37 weeks gestation. Preterm birth is a leading cause of infant mortality before 1 year in the United States and the preterm birth rate in many Central Valley counties rank above the California state average; and

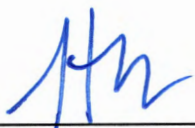
WHEREAS, racial and ethnic disparities exist in the rates of preterm birth, with black and indigenous infant mortality more than three times the rate of white infants in the County of Fresno; and

WHEREAS, decreasing the racial disparities in preterm birth requires collaboration among local, state and federal governments, healthcare systems, providers and social services organizations as well as equitable investments in the services, programs and environmental conditions that impact black and indigenous birthing persons.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim November 2021 "National Prematurity Awareness Month" in the County of Fresno.

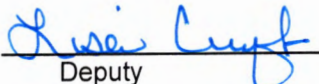
THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 2nd day of November, 2021, to-wit:

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



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 
Deputy