OF THE COUNTY OF FRESNO STATE OF CALIFORNIA RESOLUTION NUMBER 23-196

A RESOLUTION DECLARING 23 TRAVEL TRAILERS DONATED TO THE COUNTY

OF FRESNO BY THE CITY OF FRESNO SURPLUS AND NOT NEEDED FOR USE BY

THE COUNTY OF FRESNO, AND MAY BE DONATED TO LOCAL COMMUNITY
BASED NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDING HOUSING FOR AND SERVE

THE UNHOUSED POPULATION OF THE COUNTY OF FRESNO

WHEREAS, the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services, through Executive Order N-23-20, gave the City of Fresno 23 travel trailers to be utilized to provide immediate isolation placements for homeless individuals who were symptomatic or had tested positive for COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno gave the travel trailers to the County of Fresno to be utilized to provide isolation placements for homeless individuals who were symptomatic or had tested positive for COVID-19 at local homeless shelters through a partnership with local community-based organizations; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2022, the Board of Supervisors approved the American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds – Homelessness Initiatives, which included an Emergency Housing Project that would have utilized the travel trailers to provide longer-term housing for individuals and families experiencing homelessness, the intent of which was to benefit the unhoused population of the County Fresno; and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2023, the City of Fresno communicated to the County of Fresno that the selected location for the Emergency Housing Project, which was located within City of Fresno jurisdiction, would not be approved, thereby making the Emergency Housing Project not viable; and

WHEREAS, during the months of February and March of 2023, the County of Fresno received proposals for usage of the travel trailers to enhance services to the unhoused population of Fresno County from several of the community-based organizations that had originally partnered with the County to utilize the travel trailers at homeless shelters; and

WHEREAS, the proposals presented by the community-based non-profit organizations closely align with the original intent of the Emergency Housing Project, which was to provide housing and supportive services to the unhoused population of Fresno County; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 25372 provides that, except as restricted by any conditions by which the County acquired the property, the Board of Supervisors may donate personal property that the Board declares to be surplus to any public agency or organization exempt from taxation, including an organization exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code that is organized to provide health or human services; and

WHEREAS, the County's acquisition of the travel trailers was not subject to any restrictions or conditions; and

WHEREAS, these travel trailers are not necessary for use by the County, and should be declared surplus personal property, so they may be donated to public agencies or organizations exempt from taxation, including an organization exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code that is organized to provide health or human services.

NOW THEREFORE, THE FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESOLVES AND DETERMINES AS FOLLOWS:

- The 23 County-owned travel trailers, originally donated to the County by the City of Fresno, are surplus personal property and are not necessary for use by the County of Fresno.
- 2. That the County-owned travel trailers should be donated to community-based 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations that provide health and human services,

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