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## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF FRESNO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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ATTEST: BERNICE E. SEIDEL

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of Fresno, State of California

Alganora Vigra
Deputy

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-153** 

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING MAY 2023 AS LYME )
DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH IN THE COUNTY OF FRESNO)

**WHEREAS,** Lyme disease is an often-misunderstood illness that can cause serious health problems if it is not caught early and properly treated. 86% of Lyme patients end up with long-term health problems due to delayed diagnosis; and

**WHEREAS,** Lyme disease affects people of all ages but is most common in children and older adults. This tickborne disease affects more than 476,000 Americans each year. 200 children each day are diagnosed with Lyme disease, equating to four school buses of children per day: and

WHEREAS, Lyme disease is continuing to create an urgent need for resources, education, outreach, and prevention: all necessary components in slowing the growth of Lyme; and

WHEREAS, Fresno's non-profit Alex Hudson Lyme Foundation was created in 2018 by Jody Hudson to honor her daughter's legacy and raise awareness for the Central Valley, the State, and the Nation through dedicated research, so that others may not lose their lives as Alex did at a very young age to this tickborne disease; and

WHEREAS, in collaboration with May being Lyme Disease Awareness Month, the Alex Hudson Lyme Foundation urges everyone to become aware of the debilitating illness that ticks can bring through just one bite and to practice prevention, become educated through learning more at www.lymedisease.org and other easily accessible sites, and be aware and attentive to the signs and symptoms of this deadly disease and proactive prevention.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims May 2023 as Lyme Disease Awareness Month in the County of Fresno and encourages everyone to learn more and be aware of this debilitating illness.

**THE FOREGOING,** was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

Supervisors Brandau, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco, Quintero

None

ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

Sal Quintero, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno