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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 22-185

**IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING JUNE 2022 AS ELDER)
AND DEPENDENT ADULT ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH)**

WHEREAS, the National Council on Aging estimates that over 5 million, or 1 in every 10, older Americans age 60 and above are abused each year, and only 1 in every 24 cases of abuse is reported; many victims do not report the abuse due to feelings of shame, fear, and helplessness; and

WHEREAS, elder and dependent adult abuse is a serious problem that bears no association to socio-economic status, race, gender, ethnicity, educational background, or geographical location; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 Fresno County received approximately 4,604 reports of adult abuse, of which 1,147, or twenty-five percent, were confirmed cases; and


WHEREAS, the Fresno County's elder and dependent adults deserve to live safely, with dignity and without fear or risk of exploitation; and

WHEREAS, since an increase in community awareness is the first step toward the prevention of elder and dependent adult abuse; recognizing that all persons share the responsibility to ensure that the proper social systems exist so elder and dependent adults can retain community and societal connections, reducing the likelihood of maltreatment.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in honor of the Older Americans Act, the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims the month of June 2022 as Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month.

THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 17th day of May, 2022, to-wit:

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



Brian Pacheco, 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