	Resolution No. 17-501
1	BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
2	COUNTY OF FRESNO
3	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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5 6	IN THE MATTER OF THE UPDATING THE ) FRESNO COUNTY OPERATIONAL AREA ) MASTER EMERGENCY SERVICES PLAN ) RESOLUTION
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8	WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno finds that the
9	potential exists for a major catastrophe due to an earthquake, flood, fire other natural or
10	technological disaster, or terrorism, and recognizes the threat that these hazards pose to
11	people and property within the community; and
12	WHEREAS, the preservation of life and property is an inherent responsibility of
13	local, State and Federal government to ensure the most effective and economical
14	allocation of resources for the maximum benefit and protection of its population in time of
15	emergency; and
16	WHEREAS, the Fresno County Operational Area Master Emergency Services Plan
17	(Plan) provides for coordination of planning efforts of various emergency staff and service
18	elements utilizing the Standard Emergency Management System (SEMS) and the National
19	Incident Management System (NIMS); and
20	WHEREAS, on November 14, 1995 the Board of Supervisors adopted SEMS
21	countywide, in accordance with Government Code, section 8607 and established a single
22	operational area pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 19, section 2409; and
23	WHEREAS, on May 19, 1998, the Board of Supervisors adopted the Plan to comply
24	with SEMS; and
25	WHEREAS, the formal recognition of NIMS principles and policies were adopted by
26	the County on December 10, 2013; and
27	WHEREAS, the Plan establishes the framework of an emergency organization
28	consisting of the County, cities, special districts, schools, volunteers, and business
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organizations, and further defines functions using standardized terminology, assigns
 responsibilities, specifies policies and general procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Plan utilizes an all-hazards planning approach, and incorporates
and complies with the principles and requirements found in laws, regulations, and
guidelines of Federal, State codes, and the Fresno County Ordinance Code; and

6 WHEREAS, the objective of the Plan is to incorporate and coordinate the effective
7 facilities, equipment, and personnel of the County into an essential organization capable of
8 responding to any emergency therein; and

9 WHEREAS, the County has now updated the Plan and the updated Plan
10 supersedes the 1998 Fresno County Operational Area Master Emergency Services Master
11 Plan or any prior plan; and

WHEREAS, the Plan has been reviewed and updated to meet Federal requirements
that all local emergency plans be NIMS compliant, and hereafter the Plan will be updated
by the Emergency Services Director as necessary due to changes in local, State, and
Federal codes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors gives its full support to the updated Plan and
 urges all officials, employees, public and private organizations, and citizens, individually
 and collectively, to do their share in furthering the total emergency effort of the County;
 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the
 County of Fresno, State of California hereby adopt and approve the updated Fresno
 County Operational Master Emergency Services Plan to become effective immediately.

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÷ THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 31st day of October, 2017, to wit: AYES: Supervisors Borgeas, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco, Quintero None NOES: ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None BRIAN PACHECO, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno ATTEST: **BERNICE E. SEIDEL** Clerk to the Board of Supervisors County of Fresno, State of California By: Deputy