

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 17-497

**IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING)
NOVEMBER 2017 AS NATIONAL)
ADOPTION MONTH IN THE COUNTY)
OF FRESNO)**

WHEREAS, National Adoption Month in November serves as an opportunity to bring awareness to the importance of adoption by providing much needed homes for children, especially those in foster care. Every young person deserves the love and support of a permanent, forever family in which he or she can thrive, wrapped in the security of unconditional love and a stable environment; and

WHEREAS, in 2015 over 427,910 children and teenagers were in foster care across the nation, with 111,820 of those youth awaiting adoption. Between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017, 231 youth in Fresno County have been adopted into forever homes, with 39 of those youth between the ages of 8 to 18; and

WHEREAS, the Fresno County Board of Supervisors wishes to recognize all private and public adoption agencies within Fresno County committed to finding permanent homes for children in need of safe, loving homes and wishes to honor the dedicated families who have opened their hearts and homes to provide love and support for children; and

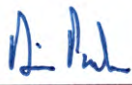
WHEREAS, the Fresno County Board of Supervisors wishes to commend the network of committed social workers, community service providers and County agencies for their dedication and support to families and the adopted children in their homes; and

WHEREAS, National Adoption Month gives this community a chance to honor and commend the dedicated relatives, foster families, adoptive families, social workers, County agencies, public and private adoption agencies, and community partners who have all worked together to ensure a better life for many of our County's young people.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim November 2017 as National Adoption Month in the County of Fresno and encourages caring adults to consider opening their hearts and homes to children in need.

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
NOES:	None
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 Susan Bishop
Deputy