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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING APRIL 2018)
AS "NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH" IN THE)
COUNTY OF FRESNO)

RESOLUTION NO. 18-119

WHEREAS, More than 962 individuals in Fresno County are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list, and 22 patients die each day due to the shortage of donated organs; and

WHEREAS, Donor Network West serves as the federally designated Organ Procurement Organization in Northern/Central California and Northern Nevada and works in close partnership with families, doctors, nurses, and coroners in hospitals to connect donors to recipient; and

WHEREAS, Organ and tissue are life-giving acts recognized worldwide as expressions of compassion to those in need that save thousands of lives each year; and

WHEREAS, The need for donated organs is especially urgent in Hispanic, African American and Asian communities; and

WHEREAS, A single individual's donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas and small intestine can save up to eight lives; donation of tissue can save and heal the lives of up to 75 others; and

WHEREAS, Over fourteen million Californians have signed up with the state-authorized Donate Life California Registry to ensure their wishes to be organ and tissue donors are honored; and

WHEREAS, California residents can sign up with the Donate Life California Donor Registry when applying for or renewing their driver's licenses or ID cards at the California Department of Motor Vehicles or by signing up at donornetworkwest.org.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim April 2018 as "National Donate Life Month" in the County of Fresno.

THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 3rd day of April, 2018, to-wit:

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


Sal Quintero, Chairperson 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 Susan Bishop
Deputy