

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING APRIL 2018)
AS "UNITED WAY OF FRESNO AND MADERA)
COUNTIES TAX PREPARATION SERVICE MONTH)**

RESOLUTION NO. 18-115

WHEREAS, Free tax preparation services are available through April 16, 2018 to residents in Fresno and Madera Counties who earned \$66,000 or less in the 2017 tax year provided by the United Way of Fresno and Madera Counties Free Tax Preparation Service (VITA); and

WHEREAS, These working families and individuals may be eligible for thousands of dollars in tax returns, including the California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC), the Federal Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and the Federal Child Tax Credit (CTC); and

WHEREAS, Citi Community Development invested \$2.6 million in support to expand awareness, access and capacity of Free Tax Preparation Service (VITA) sites during the 2018 tax season in major cities and regions across the country including the County of Fresno; and

WHEREAS, Research shows 44 percent of households lack savings to cover a \$400 emergency expense. Earned Income Tax Credits are often the largest cash infusion workers will receive all year, providing an essential financial cushion for those households living paycheck-to-paycheck. According to Bob Annibale, Global Director of Citi Community Development; and

WHEREAS, The United Way Free Tax Preparation services are being provided at eight sites throughout Fresno County in addition to being available at three mobile stops made by the Franchise Tax Board's bus in the City of Kerman Saturday April 7th from 10am to 3pm at the Kerman Community Center; in Huron April 14th from 10am to 3pm at the Huron Neighborhood Resource Center and in Mendota on March 10th; and

WHEREAS, Taxpayers can call 2-1-1 or 866-559-4211 to find out if they qualify and to schedule an appointment or alternatively file for free online at www.myfreetaxes.org.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim April 2018 as "United Way of Fresno and Madera Counties Tax Preparation Service 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