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## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF FRESNO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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IN THE MATTER OF RECOGNIZING 3

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-136** 

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PAUL MCLAIN-LUGOWSKI'S DEDICATED SERVICETO THE RESIDENTS OF FRESNO COUNTY)

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WHEREAS, for thirty-two years, Paul McLain-Lugowski has been employed with Fresno Economic

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Opportunities Commission (Fresno EOC) and has made a tremendous impact on the lives of Fresno County residents, and recently announced his retirement effective May 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Paul started his career at Fresno EOC as a Summer Youth Program Eligibility worker in 1986 and later he founded the Fresno EOC Sanctuary Youth Shelter, the only 24-hour self-referral shelter from Bakersfield to Stockton for runaway, homeless, exploited or displaced youth, currently in its twenty-sixth year of operation, and has helped save the lives of thousands of youth, by providing access points at over 266 Safe Place sites located in the Fresno area; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, Paul founded the Fresno EOC Local Conservation Corps (LCC), celebrating its twenty-fifth anniversary in 2018 and is responsible for the training, education, and development of thousands of young adults, ages 18-25, and under Paul's guidance, the LCC became the first California Local Conservation Corps program to operate a YouthBuild program leading the state and country in the Conservation Corps and YouthBuild movement in reentry initiatives of formerly incarcerated young people, believing in their right to a second chance; and

WHEREAS, under Paul's leadership, the Local Conservation Corps expanded into a new, state-of-the-art, \$16 million, 60,000 square-foot training campus, the Reverend L. Swillis Neighborhood Youth Center (NYC) which was named a "National Project of the Year" by the Corps Network in February 2010; and

WHEREAS, Paul most recently served in the capacity of Chief Innovations Officer for Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission, overseeing the Planning and Resource Department, and having secured over 320 million dollars in grant money for the agency and those it serves.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes and expresses appreciation for Paul McLain-Lugowski's dedicated service to the residents of Fresno County.

THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 17<sup>TH</sup> day of April, 2018, to-wit:

AYES:

Supervisors Borgeas, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco, Quintero

NOES: ABSENT: None 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

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