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BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 19-188

**IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING MAY 2019)
AS LYME DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH)**

WHEREAS, Tickborne disease is on the rise, affecting more than 350,000 Americans each year. Broken down, that's 29,000 new cases a month, 959 new cases a day, and 40 new cases an hour; and

WHEREAS, 200 children each day are diagnosed with Lyme Disease, equating to four school buses of children per day; and

WHEREAS, Lyme Disease is the fastest spreading tickborne disease in the United States, creating an urgent need for resources, education, outreach and prevention, all necessary components in slowing the growth of Lyme; and

WHEREAS, Fresno's non-profit Alex Hudson Lyme Foundation was created by Jody Hudson, as a way to honor her daughter's legacy and raise awareness for the Central Valley, the State and the United States through dedicated research, so that others may not lose their lives as Alex did at a very young age to this tickborne disease; and

WHEREAS, In 2018, in its first year of inception, the Alex Hudson Lyme Foundation made great strides in its mission to become self-sustaining and has partnered with national Lyme and tickborne associations to further research and establish Alex's Bluebird Scholarship that assists Central Valley Lyme patients with medical expenses in addition to being awarded the Alex Hudson 50k Research Program in partnership with the Global Lyme Alliance; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims May 2019 as Lyme Disease Awareness Month in Fresno County and in collaboration with the Alex Hudson Lyme Foundation urges everyone to become aware of the debilitating illnesses that ticks can bring through just one bite and to practice prevention and be attentive to the signs and symptoms of this deadly disease.

THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 7th day of May, 2019, to-wit:

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


Nathan Magsig, Chairman 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