BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF FRESNO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Usan Bishop Deputy **RESOLUTION NO. 20-237**

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING JULY 4, 2020)
RADIO BILINGUE AND HUGO MORALES DAY

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WHEREAS, July 4th, 2020 marks the 40th Anniversary of the co-founding by Hugo Morales of Radio Bilingüe and what would become the National Public Radio Network; and

WHEREAS, Radio Bilingüe owns and operates twenty-four FM stations in California and the Southwest U.S. with seventy-five national affiliates, and six Mexico affiliates.

WHEREAS, Radio Bilingüe produces the first and only daily national Spanish-language news, documentaries, and public affairs programs in public broadcasting. Its Noticiero Latino news show is recognized for its award-winning journalism and is carried nationally by affiliate stations; and

WHEREAS, Radio Bilingüe from its beginnings continues to counter inequities in access to the public airwaves, prizing its role as a pivotal medium for reaching socially, economically, and linguistically marginalized populations. Furthering its mission, it hosted a Filipino show and the first Hmong show in the country in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Co-founder and executive director Hugo Morales is being honored as the National Endowment of the Arts' annual Bess Lomax Hawes National Heritage Fellow, a lifetime honor for making significant contribution to the preservation and awareness of cultural heritage. Hugo has been a respected longtime vocal activist in our local community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby urges all citizens to join in celebration and proclaims July 4th, 2020 Radio Bilingue & Hugo Morales Day

THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 7th day of July, 2020, to-wit:

AYES: Supervisors, Brandau, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco, Quintero

NOES: None ABSENT: None ABSTAINED: None

Ernest Buddy Mendes 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

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