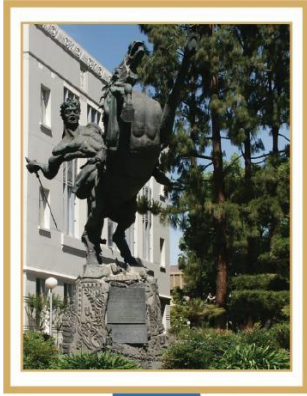


THE COUNTY OF FRESNO

Board of Supervisors

PROCLAMATION



Whereas~ the Friday Night Live program was established in 1984 as the model program for the State of California to engage young people as active leaders in their communities to reduce underage alcohol use and address other challenges faced by their peers by building partnerships for positive youth development. The Friday Night Live program engages youth partners from grade 4 through high school and beyond, ensuring that they benefit from the continued growth and enhancement of this youth-led, youth-driven program and the unique opportunities it provides; and

Whereas~ youth in Friday Night Live programs experience an environment that provides physical and emotional safety, which allows them to express their authentic selves. Youth participants learn about their communities through participatory action research and meaningful engagement with stakeholders, leading to positive connections and interactions that contribute to healthier environments; and

Whereas~ youth leaders in Friday Night Live programs have opportunities to participate in decision-making processes, express their opinions constructively, hear those of others, and act on issues they are passionate about. Participants build caring and meaningful relationships with their peers and adult allies that support a sense of belonging and connectedness to their school and broader community; and

Whereas~ youth partners experience opportunities to engage in interesting and relevant skill development activities that build resiliency, establish healthy attitudes and behaviors, and foster academic success. Friday Night Live programs prepare the leaders of tomorrow through real-world skill-building, experiences, and community partnerships, ensuring the workforce of the future is equipped with the necessary skills and compassion to foster healthy and thriving communities across California; and

Whereas~ during the month of April 2026, Friday Night Live youth leaders in 55 counties throughout the State of California will highlight their efforts to prevent underage drinking, gambling, and tobacco, cannabis, and other drug use by mobilizing their communities with a unified call to action.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim April 2026, as Friday Night Live Month in Fresno County and applauds Friday Night Live youth leaders and their adult allies who are committed to improving the quality of life for present and future generations.

**ADOPTED BY THE FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
THIS 21st DAY OF APRIL 2026**

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