

# FRESNO CITY COUNCIL PROCLAMATION

is hereby awarded to

## The Community of Pinedale

WHEREAS, the neighborhood of Pinedale was established in 1923 as a mill town to house employees of the Sugar Pine Lumber Company; and,

WHEREAS, the first historical period of significance being 1923 to 1933 during which the neighborhood of Pinedale was home to the Sugar Pine Lumber Company which installed and operated some of the most modern sawmill equipment in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, the second historical period of significance being 1933 to 1945 during which the neighborhood of Pinedale was used by the U.S. Army as a Japanese relocation camp that housed both American and foreign Japanese in the City and County of Fresno.; and,

WHEREAS, During this same time period, the neighborhood of Pinedale was also the site of Camp Pinedale which was used by the U.S. Army as the Western Signal Aviation Unit Training Center, the only post in the Air Forces that trained and prepared Signal Aviation Units of the Army Air Forces for overseas movement. Until relocation in 1945, Camp Pinedale was the exclusive site for the storage of clothing, parachutes, equipment, office supplies and salvage materials for the U.S. Army; and

WHEREAS, the third historical period of significance is post World War II through the 1950's which the neighborhood of Pinedale was home to the Pinedale Compress and Warehouse Company which manufactured Valley Cotton Products; and,

WHEREAS, today, eighty six years from inception, the historically rich neighborhood of Pinedale continues to represent an ethnically diverse community with a vested interest in the welfare and future of the neighborhood.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fresno City Council does hereby proclaim Tuesday, the 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2009 to be "PINEDALE DAY" in the City of Fresno.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the Seal of the City of Fresno, California, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2009.

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