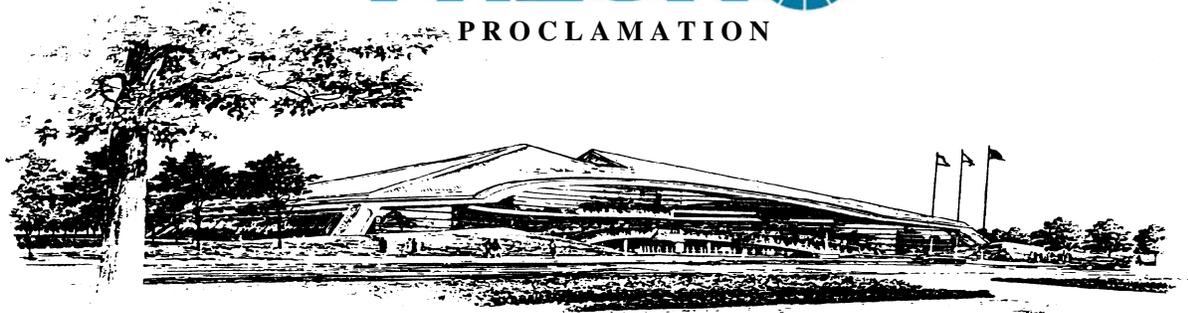


City of  
**FRESNO**

**PROCLAMATION**



- WHEREAS,** *an accurate census count is vital to our community and residents' well-being by helping planners determine where to locate schools, day-care centers, roads, public transportation, hospitals, and other facilities, and is used to make decisions concerning business growth and housing needs; and*
- WHEREAS,** *more than \$300 billion per year in federal and state funding is allocated to states and communities based on census data; and*
- WHEREAS,** *census data ensure fair Congressional representation by determining how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, as well as the redistricting of state legislatures, county and city councils, and voting districts; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the 2010 Census creates jobs that stimulate the economic growth and increases employment opportunities in our community; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the information collected by the census is protected by law and remains confidential for 72 years; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the City of Fresno, as a 2010 Census partner, will support the goals and ideals for the 2010 Census, disseminate 2010 Census information to encourage those in our community to participate, encourage people in Fresno to place an emphasis on the 2010 Census, and participate in events and initiatives that will raise overall awareness of the 2010 Census, and ensure a full and accurate census, and support census takers as they help our community complete an accurate count.*

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,***

*that we, the Mayor and Council of the City of Fresno, do hereby proclaim the City of Fresno is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau to help ensure a full and accurate census count in the year 2010.*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** *we have  
Hereunto set our hands and affixed the  
Seal of the City of Fresno, on  
This 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2009.*

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**ASHLEY SWEARENGIN,** Honorable Mayor

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**BLONG XIONG,** Council Member

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**CYNTHIA A. STERLING,** Council President

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**ANDREAS BORGEAS,** Council Member

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**LARRY WESTERLUND,** Acting Council President

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**MIKE DAGES,** Council Member

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**LEE BRAND,** Council Member

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**HENRY T. PEREA,** Council Member