PROCLAMATION OF CONTINUATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY
BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE)
2015 DROUGHT CONDITIONS) RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a local emergency presently exists in the County of Fresno in accordance with the proclamation thereof by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno on the 24th day of March, 2015 as a result of a crippling disaster, which severely impaired public health and public safety, created by conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property which have arisen within said County caused by a statewide drought commencing in 2012; and

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2014, the Governor proclaimed a statewide emergency due to unprecedented drought conditions in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, on January 28, 2014 the Fresno County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution in support of the Governor's proclamation; and

WHEREAS, on the 24th day of March, 2015, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno, proclaimed the existence of a local emergency and requested the Governor of California make available any and all State assistance programs and seek additional Federal assistance programs to provide relief to the individuals, growers, businesses, public agencies and private agencies that were harmed by this disaster; as a result of local resources being inadequate to cope with the effects of said emergency; and the combined forces of the other political subdivisions of the State were required to assist the County to combat the effects of said emergency ; and

WHEREAS, on the 19th day of September, 2014, the Governor issued Executive Order (EO) B-26-14 authorizing the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) to provide California Disaster Assistance Act funding, as deemed appropriate, for local government assistance to provide emergency water supplies to households without water for drinking and sanitation purposes: and

WHEREAS, on the 27th day of March, 2015, the Governor signed emergency legislation - AB 91 and AB 92 – that fast-tracks more than $1 billion in funding for drought relief and critical water infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, said emergency has continued and escalated in cumulated impact on this County; and

WHEREAS, local resources continue to be inadequate to cope with the effects of said emergency;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno, State of California, that said local emergency continues to exist in the County of Fresno; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Director of the State Office of Emergency Services.

THE FOREGOING was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 21st day of April, 2015, to-wit:

AYES: Supervisors Perea, Mendes, Borgeas, Pacheco, Poochigian

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Deborah A. Poochigian

Deborah A. Poochigian, CHAIRMAN
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
BERNICE E. SEIDEL
Clerk, Board of Supervisors

By Susan Bishop
Deputy