



CITY OF MERCED

REQUEST FOR DISPLAY OF COMMEMORATIVE FLAG FORM

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NAME/ORGANIZATION: The Barn Church
TODAY'S DATE: 1/17/25

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REASON FOR REQUEST FOR COMMEMORATIVE FLAG: Followers of Christ
throughout the history of our nation and City have had enormously positive impacts. It is
vital that we commemorate their service during the Easter season. Belief in God and the
values that flow from the Christian faith (love, mercy, freedom, sacrifice, forgiveness,
truth) helped form the US constitution, brought medical and educational advancements;
helped bring an end to slavery, and motivated the building of our very own Mercy
hospital. The earliest settlers of Merced, including Alexander M Hunter, also held firm
Christian beliefs; as do many of the most impactful Merced non-profits. Our nation and
our community are both at a crisis point where people no longer have a true north and
we are seeing the consequences. (addiction/crime/mental health is skyrocketing)
The Barn Church believes that our community is healthiest when it recognizes the value
of faith in God and that His moral law is not abstract or punitive, but that it guides us to
restoration, wholeness, and an abundant life of blessing.
We request that the Christian Flag be flown during the Easter season to commemorate
the many followers of Christ who have gone before us and who continue to sacrificially
serve here in our city - loving others because Christ first loved them. We are grateful for
the City Council and we continue to pray for you as you fulfill your duties in service to the
people of Merced. The color white represents purity & peace. The blue indicates fidelity,
and the red stands for Christ's laying down his life for the world. In love, The Barn Church

CITY FACILITY REQUESTED: Bob Hart Square

TIMEFRAME FOR DISPLAY OF FLAG: 4/11/25 - 5/9/25

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Dear esteemed City Council,

Please see request for commemorative flag to be flown during the Easter season.

This is not a request for any sort of establishment or endorsement of any religion, but a request for commemoration for the people motivated by their Christian faith who do so much in our world, nation, and city. Thank you for your consideration.

Humbly,

Pastors/Elders of The Barn Church

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