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FRESNO CHAFFEE ZOO ANNOUNCES COMMUNITY-CHOSEN NAME FOR SECOND AFRICAN ELEPHANT CALF

FRESNO (September 20, 2024) - Fresno Chaffee Zoo is excited to announce the name of our second African elephant calf! With the help of our amazing community and over 4,500 votes, “Davu” has been chosen as the perfect name for our newest addition.

Davu (pronounced dah-vu) is Somali in origin and means “the beginning” or the “starting of a new age”. Last week, the Zoo announced the name of the first calf, Thando (ton-doe), which originates from the African-Ndebele culture and means love.

In celebration of the Zoo’s first-ever African elephant calves, Fresno Chaffee Zoo wants to continue to remind the community of the Matching Gift Fundraiser, where every dollar donated from supporters like you is matched up to \$100,000. All proceeds support 2024 baby elephant preparations.

A big thank you to everyone who participated in the naming process and shared in the excitement of welcoming this calf to the herd. Keep an eye out for more updates as Davu and Thando grow and explore their new home.