

RESOLUTION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING

MEMORIAL PARK AND THE SAN MATEO COUNTY PARKS DEPARTMENT

On the Occasion of the 100th Anniversary

WHEREAS, the area now known as **Memorial Park** was inhabited for centuries by the Ohlone people; and

WHEREAS, in the early 20th century the land that would become Memorial Park was first purchased by a lumber company for timber harvesting, and subsequently acquired by the County through the unanimous recommendation of a San Mateo County Board of Supervisors’ appointed Citizen Committee in 1923 to preserve 200 acres of old-growth redwood trees; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Park was established the first San Mateo County Park on Independence Day 1924 and was dedicated in memory of San Mateo County residents who died in World War I; and

WHEREAS, on that same day in 1924 the tradition of Memorial Park summer camping began with more 300 overnight campers; two years later the Boy Scouts of America became the first regular users of Memorial Park dubbing it “Camp Pescadero”; and

WHEREAS, during the Great Depression of the early 20th century, the Works Progress Administration established park amenities and infrastructure within Memorial Park; and

WHEREAS, the park has provided a safe and relaxing environment for generations of San Mateo County residents and visitors to gather, explore, and find respite.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby congratulates **the San Mateo County Parks Department on its 100th anniversary** and commends it for providing recreational services to nearly 3 million visitors last year at 23 county parks, thereby enhancing the lives of many!

Dated: June 25, 2024

Supervisors:

Warren Slocum, President

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Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors