



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING NOVEMBER 1-2, 2025 AS

Día de los Muertos

WHEREAS, **Día de los Muertos** is a treasured cultural tradition rooted in Indigenous Mesoamerican practices and later with Spanish Catholic customs, serving as a time to honor, remember, and celebrate the lives of loved ones who have passed; and

WHEREAS, this observance, held annually on November 1 and 2, is characterized by vibrant altars (ofrendas), marigolds, candles, photographs, sugar skulls, paper banners (papel picado), and offerings of food and drink to welcome ancestral spirits; and

WHEREAS, San Mateo County is enriched by a diverse Latine and Indigenous community whose living traditions and contributions strengthen our county’s cultural fabric; and

WHEREAS, community organizations, cultural leaders, artists, and educators play a central role in sustaining and sharing the traditions of **Día de los Muertos**, fostering cross-cultural understanding and intergenerational connection; and

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Historical Association in partnership with Casa Círculo Cultural hosts an annual **Día de los Muertos** celebration in Courthouse Square and the History Museum, with free admission, community altars, arts and crafts, musical and dance performances, and a special Festival of the Altars exhibit that showcases altars constructed by local families and artists.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates November 1–2, 2025, as **Día de los Muertos** in San Mateo County, and encourages residents and community organizations to participate in honoring their ancestors, remembering loved ones, and supporting cultural celebrations.

Dated: *October 21, 2025*



SUPERVISORS:

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