



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

Mitch Postel

As the recipient of the

**2026 Margi Grant Heart of Hospitality Lifetime
Achievement Award**

WHEREAS, **Mitch Postel**'s family moved to San Mateo when he was eight years old, and he received a bachelor's from UC Berkeley and a master's from UC Santa Barbara, both in history; and

WHEREAS, after working for the San Mateo County Historical Association as a Research Associate and then Director of Development between 1977-1982, **Mitch Postel** became its Executive Director & President from 1984 to present; and

WHEREAS, **Mitch Postel** is a member of the San Mateo County Historic Resources Advisory Board and is past president of the San Mateo Rotary Club; and

WHEREAS, **Mitch Postel** has served on the San Mateo County/Silicon Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau Board since 2005 and served on the Executive Committee for 15 years including two consecutive terms as Board Chair during which he helped identify the new CEO and guide the organization through the pandemic and marketing rebrand to The San Francisco Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, **Mitch Postel** was instrumental in establishing The San Francisco Peninsula's Board Advisory Council and has served as Chair since its 2025 inception; and

WHEREAS, from 1982 - present, **Mitch Postel** has had part-time assignments with the San Mateo County Community College District as a College History Instructor, teaching California and San Mateo County history; and

WHEREAS, **Mitch Postel** is the author of seven books on local history, a speaker on San Mateo County history, and the operator of three museums: San Mateo County History Museum in Redwood City, Sanchez Adobe in Pacifica, and the Woodside Store in Woodside; and

WHEREAS, **Mitch Postel** has raised millions during his career to renovate the old courthouse (the home of the San Mateo County History Museum), helped with the construction of Courthouse Plaza, and raised funds to build the 15,000 sq. ft., three-level Taube Family Carriage House and Automobile Gallery, which will be a new gem on the Peninsula as well as an event space for 300 on the rooftop terrace; and

WHEREAS, beyond being deeply rooted in the San Mateo County community, **Mitch Postel** is a loving husband, father, and grandfather; and

WHEREAS, San Mateo County's tourism industry has benefited greatly from **Mitch Postel**'s leadership and countless media interviews he conducted which helped make our destination top of mind to visitors; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California hereby honors and commends **Mitch Postel** as the recipient of the San Mateo County/Silicon Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau's 2026 Margi Grant Heart of Hospitality Lifetime Achievement Award

Dated: March 19, 2026

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