Proclamation

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA PROCLAIMS September 2023 as

National Service Dog Month

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo believes in the joyful, transformative power of the humancanine bond and inclusivity of all citizens and

WHEREAS, In the United States, 64 million adults and children have a disability and only 16,000 service dogs from accredited training programs exist nationwide and the need is growing; and

WHEREAS, Canine Companions is a nonprofit organization that enhances the lives of people with disabilities by providing expertly-trained service dogs and ongoing support to ensure quality partnerships. and

WHEREAS, Canine Companions and their service dogs empower people with disabilities to lead life with greater independence, by providing best-in-class training, ongoing follow up services and a deeply committed community of support; and

WHEREAS, National Service Dog Month aims to educate our community about the benefits of service dogs and the laws protecting them; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo is an inclusive community in which all citizens, and their service dogs, are embraced.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates September 2023 as "National Service Dog Month" in recognition of service dogs and the adults and children with disabilities in our community.

Dated: September 12, 2023

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