



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING OCTOBER 2025 as

Disabilities Awareness Month

WHEREAS, according to the recent 2021 American Community Survey Disability Characteristics data, there are over 41 million Americans with disabilities and of that number, 67,630 are residents of San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, 2025 marks the 35th year since the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, a landmark civil rights law that guarantees equal rights and access for individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH is an opportunity to increase public understanding of the lived experiences of people with disabilities and to recognize their many contributions throughout San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Commission on Disabilities (CoD) consists of 15 Commissioners appointed by the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors representing a wide range of disability perspectives including developmental, physical, mental, and sensory disabilities; and

WHEREAS, as advisors to the Board of Supervisors, the CoD focuses on the full inclusion of people with disabilities guided by its 2025 motto Create, Educate, Advocate & Celebrate!; and

WHEREAS, this year the County will feature the 2025 Disabilities Arts Showcase, an exhibition taking place from October first through October thirty-first at the Center for Creativity in Redwood City. The showcase will highlight the talents of local artists with disabilities and uplift stories of inclusion and self-expression.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates October 2025 as **DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH** in San Mateo County and encourages all residents to participate in related programs and activities including the Disabilities Arts Showcase as we continue building a more inclusive and equitable community for all.

Dated: *October 7, 2025*

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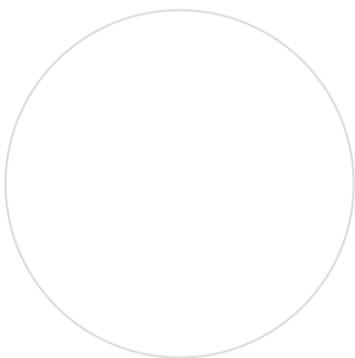
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