

# RESOLUTION

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

## Don Eaton

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**WHEREAS**, Don Eaton moved to San Carlos in December 1975 with his wife Glenna, raising their four children there, and beginning a 47-year legacy of service and love for the city of San Carlos and the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Eaton, in 1979, applied to the San Carlos Planning Commission, where he served for nine years before subsequently being elected to a partial term on the San Carlos City Council in 1988 and serving as Mayor in 1991, and then choosing to step down and instead serve on the Architectural Design Committee for the San Carlos library; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Eaton was elected to City Council again in 1993, serving as Mayor in 1997 and 2002, and among his many accomplishments while on the Council that included overseeing the construction of the San Carlos library, advocating for railroad grade separations, serving as a founding Board Member of the San Carlos Elms senior living facility and bringing the traveling Vietnam Veterans Memorial “Wall that Heals” to San Carlos, one of his most memorable and notable achievements was the founding of the San Carlos Week of the Family in 1999; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Eaton identified a need to build community and encourage family engagement through an interactive and inclusive event, which was initially held in September 1999; and

**WHEREAS**, Don Eaton’s vision has grown to an annual city-wide event involving over 45 volunteers, resulting in more than 40 events in ten days, and transforming the understanding of ‘family’ that encourages community-wide relationship building and inclusivity; and

**WHEREAS**, while the number of volunteer-led community events overall in San Carlos has diminished, the Week of the Family has continued to thrive, with its committee members who plan and host events as the heart and soul of the “Week,” with some having been on the committee for more than 15 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Week of the Family 2025 corresponds with the San Carlos Centennial and will be promoting “100 acts of kindness” to strengthen family bonds, celebrate local culture and history, foster a sense of unity and connection among residents, and celebrate its diversity rooted in Don Eaton’s vision for the community that was planted over 25 years ago.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby honors and commends Don Eaton for his leadership in creating San Carlos Week of the Family and his contributions to the residents of San Carlos.

**Dated:** January 27, 2025

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