



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE

*Juan Bautista de Anza Expedition
of 1775-1776
On its 250th Anniverary*

WHEREAS, in 1775 - 1776, **Juan Bautista de Anza** led an expedition of some 240 women, men and children on a journey from present-day Nogales, Arizona to the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, in March 1776, members of the **Anza** Expedition traveled through present-day San Mateo County in search of suitable sites for a presidio and mission, documenting the area and interacting with the Ramaytush Ohlone, and were later followed by additional colonists passing through in June 1776 en route to San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, that journey led to the **Juan Bautista de Anza** National Historic Trail which spans 1,200 miles, linking history, culture, and recreation across the southwestern United States and California, serving as an enduring tribute to the people, places, and histories shaped by this historic journey; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the 250th **Anza** Expedition, the National Park Service is partnering with land managers, organizations, counties and the San Mateo County Parks Department to recognize the significance of this anniversary; and

WHEREAS, the 250th commemoration of the **Anza** Expedition offers an important opportunity to honor Hispanic, Native, and Afro-Latine heritage, recognize the impacts of colonialism on indigenous people, and promote understanding of the complex historical narratives that have shaped our region; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo is proud to acknowledge the **Anza** Trail retracement route in our area, including segments of the Crystal Springs Trail, and Auto Tour route along State Highway 82 through the county, and is committed to preserving this history; and

WHEREAS, that the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors supports its continued commitment to public education, historic preservation and equitable storytelling through its support of the **Juan Bautista de Anza** National Historic Trail.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the County of San Mateo hereby recognizes the 250th anniversary of the **Juan Bautista de Anza** expedition of 1775-1776 as well as the **Juan Bautista de Anza** National Historic Trail, and expresses its sincere appreciation to the National Park Service and the San Mateo County Parks Department for their efforts to share the history and manage this trail.

Dated: April 7, 2026



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