



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

Welcoming Week

September 12 to 21, 2025

WHEREAS, the **County of San Mateo** is proud to be home both to long-time and newcomer residents representing a broad spectrum of backgrounds, experiences, and cultural heritage from all over the world; and

WHEREAS, **San Mateo County** was the first county in the nation to earn the distinction of being a Four-Star Certified Welcoming Place, a designation awarded to localities that have, in partnership with community, created policies and programs reflecting a commitment to promoting immigrant inclusion; and

WHEREAS, residents hailing from all around the world, who speak over 100 languages and have unique and diverse cultural traditions, are integral and cherished members of our workplaces, our schools, our faith communities, and the broader San Mateo County community; and

WHEREAS, Welcoming Week is an opportunity for localities, organizations, and community groups to bring together neighbors of all backgrounds to celebrate and strengthen community connectedness, and to uplift our commitment to welcoming newcomers; and

WHEREAS, the **County of San Mateo** affirms the importance of welcoming newcomers in building and sustaining safety, inclusion, and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, we are the proud inheritors of the American traditions of migration and immigration, and today affirm the crucial role that newcomers have always played and continue to play in all facets of our communities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates September 12 to 21, 2025 as Welcoming Week in San Mateo County.

SUPERVISORS:

DAVID J. CANEPA, PRESIDENT

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