



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

*Jon Johnston*

*Upon his retirement as Fire Marshall at Menlo Park Fire District*

**WHEREAS, Jon Johnston** is retiring as Fire Marshall with the Menlo Park Fire District, a position he has held since 2014, after nearly 25 years of service; and

**WHEREAS, Jon Johnston** began his career in firefighting as a Fire Protection Specialist, beginning with public education and completing the District’s “Bars on Windows” program; and

**WHEREAS, Jon Johnston** worked his way up the ranks and was promoted to Fire Inspector/Investigator, performing construction inspections, plan review, hazardous materials inspections, fire investigations, code enforcement and more; and

**WHEREAS, Jon Johnston** went above and beyond in his firefighting career, serving as the California representative for Home Safety Council which led to Vision 20/20, as the Northern California Fire Prevention Office Public Education Co-Chair from 2003-2007, the San Mateo County Fire Prevention Officers President from 2012-2016; and

**WHEREAS, Jon Johnston** led UAS teams to the Tubbs Fire, Carr Fire and Camp Fire with the largest mapping missions to aid in quicker community recovery from these devastating wildfires, and in 25 years, helped bring down fires to less than 2% annually in the Menlo Park Fire District; and

**WHEREAS, Jon Johnston** community involvement was exemplary, from founding the Menlo Park Fire Pancake Breakfast, raising over \$250,000 over 24 years, as a Kiwanis member and a Menlo-Atherton High School Key Club advisor from 2005-2013, part of the founding of the Menlo Park Relay for Life; and

**WHEREAS, Jon Johnston** has been recognized for his leadership and volunteerism with the San Mateo County Lions Club Service Award, the and the Menlo Park Golden Acorn Award; and

**WHEREAS, Jon Johnston** came to the Menlo Park Fire District with a Bachelor’s Degree in Biology from Pepperdine University and experience in firefighting, sports and recreation, with a passion for teaching and mentoring.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors congratulates **Jon Johnston** upon his retirement after nearly 25 years of dedicated public service as a firefighter and first responder to the County of San Mateo and wish him the best in the next chapter of his journey.

**Dated: April 15, 2025**



ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS