

RESOLUTION

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

OUR COMMUNITY HEROES DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a novel coronavirus that had not been previously identified but is now recognized as a global pandemic, with over 1,000,000 cases worldwide and over 200,000 cases in the United States; and

WHEREAS, California is one of the epicenters for COVID-19 in the United States, with over 10,000 confirmed cases, prompting Governor Newsom to proclaim a State of Emergency throughout California on March 4, 2020, and thereafter, on March 19, 2020, to issue an Executive Order mandating that residents throughout the State shelter in place in their homes; and

WHEREAS, the statewide shelter in place order, as well as similar orders adopted in localities throughout the State, including in San Mateo County, have severely disrupted the everyday lives of many California residents, including impacting their ability to work, socialize, and attend school; and

WHEREAS, we are living in unusual times and the coronavirus has turned personal lives, towns, cities, counties, states, countries and our world upside down; and

WHEREAS, this deadly virus has taken the lives of fifty-one people in San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, many people whose jobs were taken for granted just one month ago are now recognized as heroes; and

WHEREAS, jobs such as doctors, nurses, EMT's, hospital workers, other medical personnel, police, fire, grocery store workers, janitors, truck drivers, utility workers and many, many others; and

WHEREAS, this Board and the San Mateo County community appreciate and acknowledge the death-defying work these people have performed in addition to their level of dedication and compassion that can never be adequately repaid; and

WHEREAS, without them, many of our most vulnerable family members, friends, and neighbors would have faced more severe hardship; and

WHEREAS, hopefully for generations to come, people will recall the sacrifice these professions made in order to protect all the residents in San Mateo County during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby honor our community heroes during this COVID-19 pandemic and salute all workers who are playing an important role in responding to this pandemic and making selfless sacrifices to everyday life in order to protect all the residents in San Mateo County during this COVID-19 pandemic.

Dated: May 5, 2020

SUPERVISORS:

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