OCLAMATIO

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING MAY 2023 AS

Older Americans Month

WHEREAS, San Mateo County celebrates the 60th Anniversary of Older Americans Month, offering us the opportunity to recognize our older adults who richly contribute to our county as leaders and trailblazers of our communities; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that what it means "to age" has changed-for the better. San Mateo County is committed to supporting older adults as they take charge of their health, explore new opportunities and activities and focus on independence; and

WHEREAS, San Mateo County has supported and administered programs for our older adults during the COVID-19 pandemic, such as the Great Plates Delivered Program, and post pandemic with the Second Course Program to address the food insecurity they face; and

WHEREAS, San Mateo County acknowledges and supports the state's Master Plan on Aging to continue developing support and services to provide options for "aging in place;" and

WHEREAS, San Mateo County is acknowledging and involving all individuals in redefining aging in our community and supporting the efforts for cities to become "age friendly," which includes the effort to promote home and community-based services that support independent living; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of Older Americans month is to highlight the unique contributions of older adults to our local San Mateo County community, state, and nation, while acknowledging the responsibility of policymakers to care for this population; and

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Commission on Aging provides the Board of Supervisors recommendations on policy matters including health, nutrition, affordable housing, employment, elder abuse, transportation, and the increasing need for emergency preparedness, addressing social isolation, and support in accessing technology resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates the month of May 2023 as Older Americans Month and joins the U.S. Administration for Community Living in encouraging all San Mateo County residents to observe the month by celebrating older Americans with the theme "Aging Unbound," an opportunity to explore diverse aging experiences and discuss how communities can combat stereotypes.

Dated:

SUPERVISORS:

DAVE PINE, PRESIDENT

RAY MUELLER

NOELIA CORZO

DAVID J. CANEPA

Attest:

WARREN SLOCUM