

Resolution

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

The Rotary Club of San Mateo in Recognition of 100 Years of Service

WHEREAS, *the Rotary Club of San Mateo was chartered on January 15, 1924, as a “Service above Self” organization whose members adhere to the Four Way Test: Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned? and*

WHEREAS, *the Rotary Club of San Mateo is the largest Club in our District and a member club of Rotary International, one of the largest global service organizations with over 46,000 clubs worldwide and a membership of 1.4 million; and*

WHEREAS, *the Rotary Club of San Mateo works locally to support education by providing dictionaries every year to third graders in the San Mateo-Foster City School District, mentoring high school students and awarding scholarships totaling \$2 million (\$160,000 annually) for college bound students who need financial support; and*

WHEREAS, *the Rotary Club of San Mateo, in collaboration with the City of San Mateo and other local organizations, established Rotary Haciendas and Rotary Floritas senior apartment communities to provide 130 affordable housing units and continues to support the ongoing work of these housing communities while continuing to seek additional opportunities to build much-needed additional affordable senior housing; and*

WHEREAS, *the Rotary Club of San Mateo has engaged in significant civic improvement projects throughout the community, including the establishment of the Jim Chalmers Rotary Picnic Grove in Central Park and the furnishing of conference rooms in the San Mateo Public Library; and*

WHEREAS, *the Rotary Club of San Mateo continues to lead impactful community service projects such as annual environmental clean-up days at Coyote Point and garden beautification and tree planting days at local elementary schools; and*

WHEREAS, *the Rotary Club of San Mateo supports life-changing international service projects such as helping to eradicate polio, bringing educational opportunities to students in Cambodia, partnering with Namaste and students from Hillsdale High School and the College of San Mateo to provide micro-loans to Guatemalan women to assist them in setting up and successfully managing small businesses; and*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED *that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby commends and appreciates the Rotary Club of San Mateo as it celebrates a Centennial distinguished by 100 years of vital service to the community through its significant contributions to local schools, college-bound students, affordable senior housing, civic and community projects and international service.*

Dated: May 15, 2024