



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING APRIL 22, 2026 AS

Earth Day

WHEREAS, April 22 has been recognized annually in the United States as **Earth Day** since 1970, as a result of Wisconsin Senator Gaylord Nelson's recognition of the ongoing damage to Santa Barbara's beaches resulting from a massive oil spill in 1969; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo recognizes that the **Earth** supports an incredibly complex, vibrant and abundant ecosystem, upon which we all depend; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo recognizes its interest and responsibility to act as a steward to the environment for the good of its constituents, the economy, public health, and future generations; and

WHEREAS, advancing climate solutions is at the forefront of safeguarding our communities by protecting children, seniors, and other vulnerable residents from the impacts of climate change, strengthening emergency preparedness, and supporting safe, stable housing; and

WHEREAS, County of San Mateo departments integrate the various disciplines of assessment, planning, building of infrastructure, leadership, collaboration, participation, education, and performance evaluation into stewardship of the environment as they do for other elements of the County's vision; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo supports innovative, bold, and critical programs and achievements towards creating an Environmentally Conscious Community; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo, as part of its recognition of **Earth Day 2026**, remembers and celebrates these accomplishments; and encourages all businesses, institutions, and individuals to celebrate **Earth Day** by committing to protect our environmental resources today and in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates April 22, 2026 as **Earth Day**.

Dated: April 21, 2026