



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING MAY 2025 AS

*Small Business Month*

**WHEREAS, Small Business Month** was created to raise awareness about small business visibility and contributions to San Mateo County’s quality of life and thriving economy, and to honor the work of local agencies and organizations that support and provide resources for small business success and sustainability; and

**WHEREAS, Small Business Month** also acknowledges the Employment Development Department’s statistic showing that California has the fourth largest economy in the world, and it is the nation’s number one exporting state; and

**WHEREAS,** according to the Employment Development Department, as of March 2025, San Mateo County is ranked number one for labor force numbers, with the lowest unemployment rate at 3.5 percent and a labor force of 422,100; and

**WHEREAS, Small Business Month** is an opportunity to acknowledge that 97.4 percent of employers in San Mateo County have fewer than 100 employees, and celebrate the diversity of small and family-owned businesses that make up San Mateo County, including construction, childcare providers, retail businesses, agriculture, the food and hospitality industries, real estate, healthcare, finance and technical services; and

**WHEREAS, Small Business Month** additionally recognizes the organizations that boost employment and partner with San Mateo County, such as: the Small Business Development Center, San Mateo Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center, San Mateo County Chambers of Commerce, California Community Colleges Economic an Workforce Development Program, Opportunity Center of the Coastside, California Office of the Small Business Advocate, all of whom are key partners that advocate for, teach, train, and support the growth of aspiring small business owners and existing business owners in San Mateo County, creating access and opportunities for women-owned businesses, startups, minority businesses, agricultural businesses who employ individuals to contribute toward the San Mateo County economy.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates May 2025 as Small Business Month in San Mateo County and acknowledges the important role of small businesses to the local economy and community.

*Dated: May 6, 2025*



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