

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

Social Work Month

WHEREAS, Social Workers have worked for more than a century improving human well-being, enhancing basic needs for all people and advocating for equal rights for all, including people of color, people who are indigenous, people who are LGBTQIA2S+, people who follow various faiths and others; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers have continued to push for changes that have made our society a better place to live, including a livable wage, improved workplace safety, and social safety net programs that help ameliorate poverty, hunger, child and adolescent development, and homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers work in all facets of our society, including social service agencies, hospitals, schools, community organizations, the military, mental health centers, corporations, and local, state and federal government; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers in San Mateo County challenge stigma and institutionalized racism to aid individuals with justice system involvement to overcome barriers and achieve economic stability to maintain freedom from incarceration; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers in San Mateo County engage and team with community and system partners to ensure all foster youth graduate from high school and are provided with care, compassion and support to successfully navigate post-secondary education and employment, and transition into adulthood; and

WHEREAS, the theme of 2025 Social Work Month is “Social Work: Compassion + Action” to commemorate the tremendous empathy and caring capacity that social workers have as they help people in whatever setting and specialty they choose; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers in turn empower people, communities and our nation, helping everyone achieve their full potential; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, State of California, does hereby recognize the numerous contributions made by Social Workers and designate March 2025 as Social Work Month.

Dated: March 25, 2025