

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING AUGUST 26, 2022 AS

WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY

PROCLAIMED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

WHEREAS, August 26th is celebrated as WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY to commemorate the anniversary of women winning the right to vote, otherwise known as the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution; and

WHEREAS, in 1971, Congresswoman Bella Abzug introduced legislation to ensure that this important American anniversary would be celebrated; and

WHEREAS, women in the United States won the right to vote in 1920, 72 years after the first Women's Rights Convention in 1848; and

WHEREAS, at the convention, under the leadership of American social activists Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, the way for the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution was paved; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of the 19th Amendment, strides in equality have included wage equality, prohibition of gender-based employment discrimination, and assurances of women's equal opportunities in education and athletic programs; and

WHEREAS, celebration of WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY provides attention to these hard-won efforts, the opportunity to teach about the rights and privileges women now enjoy and to commit to ongoing equality in the future,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County designates August 26, 2022 as WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY and encourages everyone to seek out ways to recognize and participate in supporting women and their right to vote.

Dated: August 26, 2022

Supervisors:

Don Horsley, President

Dave Pine

Carole Groom

Warren Slocum

David J. Canepa

Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors