

# Proclamation

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING NOVEMBER 20, 2022 AS

## Transgender Day of Remembrance

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**WHEREAS**, the Transgender Day of Remembrance is observed annually on November 20 in memory of those whose lives have been lost as a result of anti-transgender violence; and

**WHEREAS**, in keeping with the tradition of reading the names of transgender and gender non-conforming people who have died in the past year due to violence, the following 31 people will be remembered on this day: *Amariey Lej*, age 20, who died on January 1 in Wilksburg, Pennsylvania; *Duval Princess*, age 24, who died on January 3 in Jacksonville, Florida; *Matthew Angelo Spampinato*, age 21, who died on February 9 in New Castle, Delaware; *Naomie Skinner*, age 25, who died on February 12 in Highland Park, Michigan; *Cypress Ramos*, age 21, who died on February 13 in Lubbock, Texas; *Paloma Vazquez*, age 29, who died on February 22 in Houston, Texas; *Tatiana Labelle*, age 33, who died on March 18 in Chicago, Illinois; *Kathryn “Katie” Newhouse*, age 19, who died on March 19 in Canton, Georgia; *Kenyatta “Kesha” Webster*, age 24, who died on March 26 in Jackson, Mississippi; *Miia Love Parker*, age 25, who died on April 1 in Chester, Pennsylvania; *Ariyanna Mitchell*, age 17, who died on April 2 in Hampton, Virginia; *Fern Feather*, age 29, who died on April 12 in Morristown, Vermont; *Ray Muscat*, age 24, who died on May 8 in Independence Township, Michigan; *Sasha Mason*, age 45, who died on May 13 in Zebulon North Carolina; *Nedra Sequence Morris*, age 50, who died on May 14 in Opalocka Florida; *Maddie Hoffman*, age 47, who died on May 19 in Malvern, Pennsylvania; *Chanelika Y’Ella Dior Hemingway*, age 30, who died on May 31 in Albany, New York; *Brazil Johnson*, age 36, who died on June 15 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; *Shawmayné Giselle Marie*, age 27, who died on June 21 in Gulfport Mississippi; *Kitty Monroe*, who died on June 29 in Cordova, Tennessee; *Cherry Bush*, age 48, who died July 5 in Los Angeles, California; *Aaron Lynch*, age 26, who died on July 7 in McLean, Virginia; *Martasia Richmond*, age 30, who died on July 11 in Chicago, Illinois; *Keshia Chanel Geter*, age 26, who died on July 20 in Augusta, Georgia; *Kandii Reed*, age 29, who died July 24 in Kansas City, Missouri; *Hayden Davis*, age 28, who died on July 25 in Detroit, Michigan; *Marisela Castro*, age 39, who died on July 29 in Houston, Texas; *Acey Morrison*, age 30, who died on August 21 in Rapid City, South Dakota; *Dede Ricks*, age 33, who died on August 27 in Detroit, Michigan; *Mya Allen*, age 35, who died on August 29 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; *Semaj Billingslea*, age 33, who died on September 21 in Jacksonville, Florida.

**WHEREAS**, the Transgender Day of Remembrance helps to raise the visibility of transgender and gender-diverse people who demonstrate courage and resilience in the face of prejudice, discrimination and violence, and also serves to heighten awareness of the need for elected officials, the law enforcement community, the media, and the community at large to address the challenges faced by these individuals; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates November 20, 2022, as Transgender Day of Remembrance in San Mateo County, and, in furtherance of that designation, hereby directs that the Transgender Flag be raised at County Center for the month of November and invites all residents to participate in related activities and events.

**Dated: November 1, 2022**

**SUPERVISORS:**

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*DON HORSLEY, President*

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*DAVE PINE*

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*WARREN SLOCUM*

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*DAVID CANEPA*

**Attest:**

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*Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors*

