

RESOLUTION NO. .

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE TERMINATION OF THE LOCAL HEALTH
EMERGENCY RELATING TO COVID-19 PURSUANT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY
CODE § 101080**

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

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2020, pursuant to Section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code, the San Mateo County Health Officer (the “Health Officer”) declared a local health emergency (“Local Health Emergency”) throughout San Mateo County related to the novel coronavirus (“COVID-19”), which the Board ratified and extended on March 10, 2020, and which remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued a Proclamation of State of Emergency related to COVID-19 (“State of Emergency”), effective throughout the State of California and which waived the 30-day renewal requirement for the Local Health Emergency that would otherwise apply; and

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2022, the Governor announced that the State of Emergency will end on February 28, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Local Health Emergency proclamation has enabled the County to establish a robust response to the COVID-19 pandemic and its threat to public health, empowering County officials to take actions to mitigate the spread of disease, ensure sufficient health system capacity to treat the sick, and protect the most vulnerable; and

WHEREAS, since March 2020, the County has taken extensive steps to respond to the pandemic and its negative economic impacts, including: funding, supporting and coordinating testing, contact tracing, quarantine, and treatment for infected individuals; issuance and enforcement of health orders; supporting health system response and vaccinations; and enacting local measures for the protection and support of San Mateo County residents; and

WHEREAS, now, nearly three years since the initial enactment of the proclamations, the County's public health efforts in coordination with the State and other partners, including vaccination and boosters and other mitigation measures, have provided effective tools to address the continuing threat from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, under Health & Safety Code Section 101080, the Board "shall proclaim the termination of the local health emergency at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant the termination;" and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that, in view of the foregoing and recognizing that the State of Emergency will end effective February 28, 2023, conditions that existed in March 2020 that led to the proclamation and ratification of the Local Health Emergency no longer support its continuation and warrant its termination; and

WHEREAS, the Board is concurrently considering a separate resolution proclaiming the termination of the local emergency related to COVID-19 pursuant to Section 8630 of the California Government Code and Chapter 2.46 of the San Mateo County Ordinance Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the conditions in March 2020 that led to the proclamation and ratification of the Local Health Emergency related to COVID-19 no longer support its continuation and, as a result, the Board hereby proclaims that the Local Health Emergency is terminated effective immediately upon adoption of this resolution.

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