PROCLAMATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER 8 – 17, 2023 AS

Welcoming Week

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo is home to people of all backgrounds, including those who were not born in the United States, but now call it home; and

WHEREAS, one out of three residents in San Mateo County is an immigrant, and immigrants form a significant part of our population and are a key part of our county's growth; and

WHEREAS, new residents are a vital part of our community – bringing fresh perspectives and new ideas, starting businesses, and contributing to the vibrant diversity that we all value; and

WHEREAS, this week, we honor the spirit of unity that is bridging neighbors across San Mateo County. During Welcoming Week, we invite all residents of San Mateo County to join this movement of communities nationwide by renewing our commitment to our core American values and by taking action in the spirit of welcoming; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo is proud to be recognized as a Welcoming County since 2018 and is in the process of becoming Certified Welcoming by the national nonprofit Welcoming America; and

WHEREAS, regardless of where we are born, what we look like, what language we speak, or our immigration status, we are residents of San Mateo County, united in our efforts to build a stronger County. By recognizing the contributions that we all make to create a vibrant culture and a growing economy, we make our community more prosperous and inclusive to all who call it home; and

WHEREAS, let us come together to build communities where every resident has the opportunity to contribute their best. Let us come together to create more prosperous communities and to reaffirm that the County of San Mateo still stands as a beacon of freedom and opportunity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates September 8 to 17, 2023 as Welcoming Week in San Mateo County.

SUPERVISORS:

DAVE PINE, PRESIDENT

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