



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MARCH 24<sup>TH</sup> – 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2025 AS

# *Tsunami Awareness Week*

**WHEREAS**, San Mateo County’s unique 54-mile coastline is home to vibrant communities, critical infrastructure, and natural resources that are vulnerable to climate-related impacts and tsunami hazards; and

**WHEREAS**, the December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 offshore earthquake and resulting tsunami warning demonstrated the real and present danger that tsunamis pose to our coastal communities; and

**WHEREAS**, following the tsunami warning, a series of community information-gathering sessions were held and surveys collected from coastal residents to inform San Mateo County Emergency Management how to improve preparedness and response; and

**WHEREAS**, San Mateo County Emergency Management is introducing new tools and resources including a specialized tsunami hazard mapping dashboard and expanded tsunami zone signage to better protect residents; and

**WHEREAS**, emergency preparedness education and community engagement are essential to building resilience against tsunami threats, particularly in light of the coastside infrastructure vulnerabilities identified through the Coastside Resilience Infrastructure Strategic Plan (CRISP); and

**WHEREAS**, San Mateo County is participating in the State of California Tsunami Exercise on March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025 to enhance regional tsunami response capabilities and coordination with state and federal partners; and

**WHEREAS**, preparedness efforts including understanding evacuation routes, recognizing warning signs, and having emergency plans are vital to protecting lives during tsunami events; and

**WHEREAS**, San Mateo County is committed to becoming the nation’s most resilient county through proactive planning, community engagement, and strategic investment in coastal protection.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates the week of March 24<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 as Tsunami Awareness Week in San Mateo County and encourages all residents, businesses, schools, and community organizations to participate in tsunami awareness activities, learn about local tsunami risks, and prepare emergency plans to enhance our collective resilience.

**DATED:** March 25, 2025

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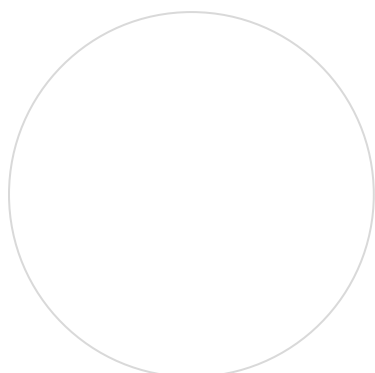
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