

PROCLAMATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DESIGNATING OCTOBER 2017 as

FILIPINO AMERICAN
HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, since 1988, communities across California and the United States have set aside the month of October to recognize the achievements and contributions of Filipinos and Filipino Americans of this country; and

WHEREAS, California is home to nearly half of the Filipino population in the United States, with more than 1,470,000 Filipinos calling the Golden State home according to the 2010 Census, and is the location of many vibrant Filipino communities, including those in Daly City, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Stockton, Vallejo, Delano, San Diego, and Salinas among others; and

WHEREAS, since their first documented arrival in Morro Bay, California on October 18, 1857, Filipino Americans have made remarkable contributions to every sector of American life. Filipinos have built and defended our country in every American Conflict since the early 1900s, and helped bring about progress in the farms of Delano, California. They have made cultural, economic, social, and other contributions that have become a vital part of the rich, diverse, and vibrant tapestry of our nation; and

WHEREAS, Filipino Americans have served the public in a wide range of capacities, including, but not limited to, Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court, representatives to the United States Congress, legislators in the state legislatures of California and other states, and other city, state, and federal leaders of the United States; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates October, 2017 as Filipino American History Month and encourages everyone to recognize, honor and celebrate the tremendous role played by Filipinos in the continental United States for 430 years and counting.

Dated: October 17, 2017

SUPERVISORS:

DON HORSLEY, PRESIDENT

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Attest: _____
Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors