

Proclamation

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 2012 AS

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, domestic violence is the leading cause of injury to women between 15-44 years of age, and one in six Californians will experience domestic violence during their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, experts estimate that, in the United States, the direct costs for medical and mental health care related to domestic violence are \$4.1billion annually, and domestic violence is estimated to cause a loss of \$900 million in lost days of work each year for its victims; and

WHEREAS, over 8,000 residents of San Mateo County received crisis services through CORA’s hotline or law enforcement referrals; and

WHEREAS, in San Mateo County, over 6,000 children witnessed domestic violence in their home and 305 adults were provided emergency shelter and transitional housing to escape their abusers; and

WHEREAS, San Mateo County is committed to eliminating all forms of family violence and abuse.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, proclaims the month of October 2012 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, to raise awareness and to encourage all citizens of San Mateo County to rid our community of domestic violence.

Dated: October 23,2012

SUPERVISORS:

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Attest:

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