## PROCLAMATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING MARCH 15, 2017 AS

## National Ag Day

WHEREAS, NATIONAL AG DAY is a time to celebrate the abundance provided by agriculture and to recognize the multitude of challenges it faces both locally and across these United States; and

WHEREAS, NATIONAL AG DAY is dedicated to increasing public awareness of agriculture, and its role and contributions in society and this year's NATIONAL AG DAY theme is "Food for Life"; and

WHEREAS, this day is an opportunity to recognize all agriculture and the essential need it addresses by cultivating food that nourishes and sustains us; and

WHEREAS, while San Mateo County is known for its nursery and floral industry, Brussel's Sprouts, artichokes, and pumpkins, there is also a diversity of lesser known agricultural products that includes beef, poultry, eggs, cheeses, honey, tomatoes, apples, and emerging alternative crops such as quinoa; and

WHEREAS, agriculture in San Mateo County is a key economic contributor on the coast, not only providing food and flowers but employment and economic diversity, and:

WHEREAS, farmers are continuously challenged by unpredictable weather, markets, increasing cost, invasive pests and urban/rural boundary conflicts, they continue to rise to the challenge and produce "food for life".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County does hereby proclaim March 15th as NATIONAL AG DAY in San Mateo County.

**Dated: March 14, 2017** 

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