

## RESOLUTION NO. .

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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### RESOLUTION AFFIRMING SAN MATEO COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT AND INCLUDE ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS, REGARDLESS OF ETHNIC OR NATIONAL ORIGIN, GENDER, RACE, RELIGION, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, OR IMMIGRATION STATUS

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**RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

**WHEREAS**, the Migration Policy Institute analysis of the U.S. Census Bureau's data indicates that an estimated 57,000 San Mateo County residents are undocumented; and

**WHEREAS**, an estimated 6,000 undocumented children are enrolled in schools throughout San Mateo County and there are an estimated 14,000 individuals living in our County who have qualified under Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of San Mateo seeks to promote and enhance the health, safety, and welfare of the community and provide and ensure access to quality services that benefit and enrich the lives of all County residents; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board of Supervisors and the County of San Mateo reject bigotry in all its forms, including, but not limited to, Islamophobia, anti-Semitism, racism, nativism, misogyny, and homophobia; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board of Supervisors and the County of San Mateo do not

tolerate discrimination, hate crimes, harassment, or assault; and

**WHEREAS**, recent immigration-related actions and proposals by the federal government have created concerns and fears in San Mateo County regarding personal freedom, civil rights, and the treatment of immigrants; and

**WHEREAS**, San Mateo County treasures this Nation's traditions of law and due process that allow all of us to live free of harassment, discrimination, persecution, and assault; and

**WHEREAS**, in order for the County of San Mateo to effectively deliver services, including in the areas of public health and safety, it must be clear to the community that the enforcement of federal civil immigration law is the responsibility of federal authorities and that San Mateo County resources will not be used to enforce civil federal immigration law; and

**WHEREAS**, San Mateo County will continue serving as a model of inclusion and equity for all of its residents, including immigrants, refugees, and other newcomers.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that this Board of Supervisors affirms its commitment to support and respect its diverse community and commits the County of San Mateo to uphold the following principles in furtherance this Resolution:

1. The County of San Mateo recognizes, values, and will continue to work to protect the rights of all San Mateo County residents, regardless of their ethnic or national origin, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, or immigration status.
2. Enforcement of federal civil immigration law is the responsibility of the federal government. Neither the County of San Mateo nor any employee of the County shall perform the functions of a federal immigration officer or otherwise engage in

the enforcement of federal civil immigration law, whether pursuant to section 1357(g) of Title 8 of the United States Code or under any other law, regulation, or policy.

3. With respect to law enforcement activities, neither the County of San Mateo nor any employee of the County shall inquire about the immigration status of an individual, including but not limited to a crime victim, a witness, or a person who calls or approaches law enforcement personnel seeking assistance, unless necessary to investigate criminal activity by that individual.
4. The County of San Mateo recognizes the importance of public safety, and, to that end, County employees, including law enforcement officers, will continue appropriate cooperation with Federal immigration agencies in matters involving criminal activity and the protection of public safety.
5. It must remain clear to San Mateo County residents that they can access the full range of County services to which they are entitled, including safety net services and law enforcement protection, without fear that the County will use information gained in such encounters to assist in civil immigration enforcement. Therefore, San Mateo County agencies shall only collect information from individuals regarding citizenship or immigration status to the extent necessary to perform agency duties or as otherwise required by law. San Mateo County agencies shall prohibit the use or disclosure of such information in any manner that violates federal, state or County laws. Further, County agencies shall disclose non-public information in the County's possession about individuals only to the extent required under law.
6. No San Mateo County resources shall be used to develop or to assist any other agency in developing or implementing any program to create a registry of individuals on the basis of race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, ethnicity, or national origin.
7. This Board and the County of San Mateo will, to the full extent possible under law, oppose all attempts to undermine the safety, security, and rights of members of our community and the San Mateo County Manager is hereby directed to work with staff to develop and to bring to this Board for approval, as necessary, appropriate steps to implement the intent of this resolution.
8. Nothing in this Resolution shall be construed or implemented in such a manner as to conflict with any obligation imposed by federal law or the conditions of any federal funding.

9. The County Manager shall work with staff to monitor all efforts by the federal government to rescind, withhold or withdraw federal funding as a result of the measures set forth in this Resolution or other similar actions.

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