PROCLAMATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING APRIL 2019 AS

ARTS, CULTURE AND CREATIVITY MONTH

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

WHEREAS, arts are not only an impressive and important agent for economic development, but also impact societal issues that include health, corrections, housing, immigration, veterans, transportation and education; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative for all children and youth in California to have access to arts education in their schools; and

WHEREAS, California employs the highest number of people in creative industries – architecture, entertainment, fashion, media, and publishing – than any other state in the nation, according to the "2018 Otis Report on the Creative Economy of California;" and

WHEREAS, California is the fifth largest economy in the world with a creative economy totaling \$504.9 billion in 2018; and

WHEREAS, efforts must continue to increase funding for the arts, arts education, and cultural bearers because in a state as diverse as California, the arts serve to give voice to our many communities, spark individual creativity, foster empathy and understanding, spur civic engagement and serve as a continual source of personal enrichment, inspiration and growth,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County designates **April 2019 as ARTS, CULTURAL AND CREATIVITY MONTH** in recognizing that it is a significant time to celebrate the arts, culture and creativity of all Californians and to commit to ongoing support of this vital California economic industry.

Dated: April 9, 2019

SUPERVISORS:

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Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors