PROCLAMATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA DESIGNATING JUNE 2020 AS

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Intersex, and Two Spirit

Pride Month

WHEREAS, San Mateo County strives to promote the egalitarian principles of equality and justice for all people, recognizing that the diversity of our communities is one of our greatest strengths, and on June 1, 2017, opened the first ever LGBTQ+ Pride Center in San Mateo County in conjunction with the kick off of Pride Month, and this year joins in the 8th Annual San Mateo County Pride Celebration: 2020 Rainbow Vision on June 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, San Mateo County is a proud partner in the journey toward LGBTQQI2S equality, having in June 2014 established this state's first dedicated LGBTQ Commission to support the development of policies, programs, and resources that help create a community in which LGBTQQI2S people are treated fairly, with dignity and respect in all settings, and where there is access to services that are welcoming, respectful, and responsive; and

WHEREAS, the Pride Initiative of the San Mateo County Health System has advocated for a welcoming environment for LGBTQQI2S people who live and work in San Mateo County, and LGBTQQI2S people have made important, varied, and lasting contributions to San Mateo County, our great state, and nation in every field of endeavor and culture that enrich our lives; and

WHEREAS, each year in June marks the anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion that gave birth to the modern lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender civil rights movement; and

WHEREAS, flying the Pride Flag is a way to demonstrate that San Mateo County is a welcoming, inclusive county in furtherance of this proclamation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates June 2020 as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Intersex, and two-spirit (LGBTQQI2S) Pride Month and, in furtherance of that designation, hereby directs that the Pride Flag be raised on the central flag pole in the courtyard of County Center during all business days of the month of June 2020.

Dated: June 2, 2020

SUPERVISORS:

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