

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF APRIL 10 – APRIL 16, 2021 AS

THE WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD

WHEREAS, the National Association for the Education of Young Children established The Week of the Young Child in 1971 as a celebration to focus attention on the needs of young children and their families, and to honor teachers and all those who make a difference in young children's lives; and

WHEREAS, the Week of the Young Child provides an opportunity to renew our commitment to ensuring that all young children and their families in San Mateo County, and across the Country, have access to high quality childcare; and

WHEREAS, the Week of the Young Child provides an opportunity to recognize that the child care workforce, comprised primarily of women and black, Indigenous & people of color (BIPOC) individuals, is one of San Mateo County's greatest assets and that child care provides indispensable support to our local economy; and

WHEREAS, high quality child care and early education programs help ameliorate the effects of poverty, eliminate the school readiness gap borne of societal inequities and lead to positive outcomes for all children; and

WHEREAS, child care is an essential service that has remained open throughout the pandemic to support our first responders, children, and families and is necessary for our economic recovery and the re-opening of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates the week of April 10, 2021 through April 16, 2021 as Week of the Young Child in San Mateo County and encourages all citizens to make a good investment in early childhood in San Mateo County.

Dated: April 6, 2021

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