

**RESOLUTION NO. .**

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

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**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 557 (MURATSUCHI) HATE  
CRIMES: HOTLINE**

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

**WHEREAS**, according to the Southern Poverty Law Center, California is home to 72 active hate groups; and

**WHEREAS**, California has seen a recent spike in hate crime activity; and

**WHEREAS**, hate crimes against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in particular have increased exponentially since the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, numbers of hate crimes are anticipated to be much higher due to a large number of hate crimes that go unreported; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Civil Rights Commission on Hate Crimes recommended that the California Department of Justice facilitate the reporting of hate crimes through establishing and publicizing a hate crime reporting hotline and online form; and

**WHEREAS**, racism and hate must never be ignored or tolerated; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors has condemned hate crimes and declared San Mateo County a hate free zone;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors supports Assembly Bill 557 which require the California Attorney General to establish and maintain an accessible toll-free hotline number and online form for reporting hate crimes and hate incidents.

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