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THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING OCTOBER 2002 AS

DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH

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

WHEREAS, there are over 56 million Americans with disabilities and of that number, 107,440 are residents of San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, 2002 marks 12 years since the passage of the landmark civil rights legislation, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990; and

WHEREAS, this month will heighten the public's awareness of people with disabilities and will focus on the significant contributions of people with disabilities throughout San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Commission on Disabilities (CoD) consists of 21 Commissioners appointed by the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors representing developmental, physical, mental, sensory, and other areas of disabilities; and as an advisor to the Board of Supervisors, the CoD provides the opportunity for people with disabilities to influence and participate in the development of public policy,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that this Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County, hereby designates October 2002 as DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH in San Mateo County and invites all citizens to participate in related activities and events.

DATED: October 8, 2002

SUPERVISORS: