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

PROCLAIMS

APRIL 2003 AS "ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH"

WHEREAS, April has been designated as NATIONAL ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH by the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence; and

WHEREAS, alcoholism and alcohol abuse are a major Health and Human Services problem, affecting people of all ages, races, and ethnic backgrounds in every community; and

WHEREAS, alcoholism and alcohol abuse are major contributing factors in traffic accidents, domestic violence emergency medical service calls, transmission of STD's unplanned pregnancies, birth defects and homelessness; and

WHEREAS, the alcohol and drug prevention and treatment providers of San Mateo County are dedicated to reducing the devastating impact of alcoholism and alcohol abuse on individuals, families and communities; and

WHEREAS, acknowledging these efforts in April 2003, offers advocates of treatment and prevention an opportunity to educate the public and policymakers about the effectiveness of community interventions that reduce societal problems related to alcohol; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors encourages all residents to educate themselves about alcohol and its effects so that they make healthy and informed choices regarding this legal but powerful drug,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, do hereby proclaim April 2003 as ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH in San Mateo County.

DATED: April 8, 2003

SUPERVISORS:

RICHARD GORDON

Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors