

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING DECEMBER 14, 2003 AS

BILL OF RIGHTS DAY

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

WHEREAS, the Bill of Rights is the cornerstone of our democratic system and the guardian of our civil liberties; and

WHEREAS, the American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California celebrates its 30th Bill of Rights Day to honor individuals who have distinguished themselves as civil liberties champions; and

WHEREAS, the ACLU of Northern California honors attorneys Dale Minami and Don Tamaki with the Chief Justice Earl Warren Civil Liberties Award for their leadership of the Coram Nobis team that vacated the conviction of Fred Korematsu; and

WHEREAS, the ACLU of Northern California remains committed as a determined advocate for the civil liberties of Arab Americans, Muslims, and South Asians who face challenges today similar to what Japanese Americans faced during World War II,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, does hereby recognize December 14, 2003, as Bill of Rights Day in San Mateo County, and expresses its deepest appreciation for the champions, both past and present, who guarantee our civil liberties for the future.

DATED: December 14, 2003

SUPERVISORS: Jacolos Selves E JACOBS GIBSON, PRESIDENT