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THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF APRIL 18-24, 2004 AS

VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK

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

WHEREAS, the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors has become aware that our society hereby increasingly focuses its attention on the rights of crime victims and witnesses, recognizing their plight and the public's obligation to remain aware; and

WHEREAS, the hardship which crime victims and witnesses of crime suffer may be physical, emotional and financial, and the urgency and duty of all citizens and institutions is to play positive roles in improving the services for victims of crime and their families, which will help to restore effectiveness to the administration of justice; and

WHEREAS, we value the critical assistance and services that provide for crime victims' basic needs, such as safe housing, food, support for their children, counseling and medical services; and

WHEREAS, we also value those individuals who work on behalf of crime victims to improve rights, services and treatment of victims of crime; and

WHEREAS, the Victim Center, together with all law enforcement and victims services agencies within San Mateo County, works collaboratively in offering caring assistance to all victims of crime; and

WHEREAS, San Mateo County, as a community, values all efforts to protect, enhance and expand crime victims' rights and services,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors, in conjunction with National Crime Victims' Rights Week, that the week of April 18-24 is hereby designated VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK in San Mateo County.

DATED: April 20, 2004

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Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors