## Proclamation of the City of San Pablo Recognizing November 2025<sup>th</sup> As Homelessness Awareness Month And December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025

## Homelessness Persons' Memorial Day

WHEREAS, homelessness continues to impact individuals and families in every community across Contra Costa County, including the City of San Pablo; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Point-in-Time Count found just over 2,100 people experiencing homelessness in Contra Costa County, a notable decrease from 2024, reflecting progress through expanded housing and shelter resources; and

WHEREAS, despite progress, many residents still live without stable housing, and far too many face disabling conditions, systemic inequities, and barriers to housing stability; and

WHEREAS, November is observed nationwide as Homeless Awareness Month, providing an opportunity to increase understanding, compassion, and collaboration toward solutions; and

WHEREAS, December 21<sup>st</sup> —the first day of winter and the longest night of the year—is recognized as Homeless Persons' Memorial Day, honoring those who have lost their lives while experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Pablo affirms its commitment to addressing homelessness with dignity and compassion while working with partners across the County to create long-term solutions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of San Pablo does hereby proclaim the month of November 2025 as "Homelessness Awareness Month" and December 21st 2025 as Homeless Persons' Memorial Day and encourages all citizens to recognize that thousands of people in Contra Costa County do not have housing and need support from residents and private/public non-profit service entities to address the myriad challenges of homelessness.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of San Pablo to be affixed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2025.

Arturo Cruz, Mayor