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GRASS ROOTS AND LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS ENDORSE DAVE MANDELKERN FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD

- Multiple San Mateo County and State-wide Groups Support His Re-Election Campaign -

Burlingame, CA September 29, 2015: San Mateo County Community College District Trustee Dave Mandelkern announced today that the San Mateo County Democratic Party, the San Mateo County Democratic Families Club, Peninsula Stonewall Democrats, the North Peninsula Democratic Club, and Evolve California have all endorsed his bid for re-election in the upcoming November 3, 2015 all-mail ballot election.

“I am honored to have the endorsement and support of the San Mateo County Democratic Party,” said Mandelkern. “As a life-long Democrat, I share the party’s values and vision that quality public education is a key to economic growth and the creation of a prosperous middle class. As a Trustee of the San Mateo County Community College District, I hope to continue to show that government can efficiently deliver quality public educational opportunities that benefit all members of our community.”

The San Mateo County Democratic Party makes the official Democratic Party endorsements in non-partisan municipal, local district and county elections, operates the County's official Democratic Party headquarters, and generally coordinates Democratic activities in the County. The mission of the San Mateo County Democratic Party is to support Democratic candidates and elected officials at all levels of government, and ballot measures promoting Democratic values in San Mateo County and the State of California. For more information, please visit www.smcdeems.org.

Peninsula Stonewall Democrats focuses its efforts on the San Francisco Peninsula to advance the goals of the Democratic Party and the LGBT Community through public policy and political analysis, education, outreach, fund-raising, recruitment and coordination with other Democratic clubs, and other activities to benefit the Party and the Community. For more information, please visit www.penstonedem.com.

Evolve organizes high-impact grassroots campaigns to benefit all Californians. Evolve was founded in the spring of 2011 by a group of Bay Area activists looking for a way to get beyond the current political mess. From Washington, D.C.'s failure on healthcare reform, to perennial budget problems in Sacramento, to ideological battles at City Hall, all levels of government and public life are suffering from the same problem. Politicians, the media, and many activists are too concerned about

winning the next election or the horserace of politics. As this goes on, real problems go unsolved: 50 million Americans lack access to affordable healthcare, and our public education system is being dismantled. Evolve was founded on the belief that there's a better way. Most of the significant problems we face have effective solutions that are not being implemented because of political infighting or the power of special interests. The answer is clear: we need to hold politicians accountable to real results that actually move our society forward. And that's what Evolve does. Through effective, smart organizing and grassroots issue advocacy, Evolve knows that we can make a difference, and ultimately, leave our world a better place than we found it. Together, we can rekindle the promise that made California a golden state. For more information see www.evolve-ca.org.

Mandelkern's candidacy to be re-elected to the San Mateo County Community College District Board has also been endorsed by State Senator **Jerry Hill**; Assemblymembers **Rich Gordon** and **Kevin Mullin**; former Assemblymembers **Ted Lempert** and **Gene Mullin**; the entire **San Mateo County Board of Supervisors** (**Carole Groom, Don Horsley, Dave Pine, Warren Slocum, and Adrienne Tissier**); the **San Mateo County Democratic Party**; the **San Mateo County Central Labor Council**, the **San Mateo County Building & Construction Trades Council**, the **American Federation of Teachers**, the **American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees**, the **California School Employees Association**, over three dozen local elected officials, city council members and school board trustees; and his fellow Trustees on the San Mateo Community College District Board (**Richard Holober, Tom Mohr, and Karen Schwarz**).

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