

City of Santa Clara
Commendation

- WHEREAS,** founded in 1951 by legendary Coach George Haines, the Santa Clara Swim Club (SCSC) has carved its name in aquatic history beginning with just 13 swimmers at a Santa Clara High School pool, the club flourished under his innovative training methods and unwavering dedication. Soon, talent flocked to the newly built Santa Clara International Swim Center (ISC) in 1966, a state-of-the-art facility that became a crucible for champions. Today, the club provides a variety of programs for the community including programs for persons with disability and Olympic aspirants; and
- WHEREAS,** the Santa Clara Swim Club was recently recognized as a 2025-2026 Gold Medal Club by USA Swimming for its outstanding performance. This is an incredible achievement, as only the top 20 teams in the entire country receive this honor; and
- WHEREAS,** the Club Excellence Program, administered by USA Swimming, is a program that identifies and recognizes USA Swimming member clubs for its commitment to performance excellence; and
- WHEREAS,** The primary objectives of the program are to recognize and promote the development of strong, well-rounded age group and senior swimming programs that produce elite 18 & under athletes, resources to motivate and assist USA Swimming member clubs to achieve the highest athlete performance ideals, grant funding, and the USA Swimming club development system as integral part in achieving excellence in the sport; and
- WHEREAS,** this recognition is a testament to the dedication and excellence of Coach Kevin Zacher, his staff, and all the swimmers who continue to represent Santa Clara with pride. They are truly embodying what our city stands for-commitment, community, and excellence.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LISA M. GILLMOR, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and on behalf of the Santa Clara City Council, do hereby recognize, congratulate and commend the

SANTA CLARA SWIM CLUB

in honor of their Gold Medal Club Recognition.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Santa Clara, California, this 18th day of November 2025.



LISA M. GILLMOR
MAYOR, CITY OF SANTA CLARA



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