**Older Americans Month, Make Your Mark: May 2020**

**Proclamation TEMPLATE**

Support from a public official can raise community awareness about Older Americans Month. Use this template to create a public recognition of the older adults in your community. Fill in placeholder information and edit the content to be as relevant as possible to your community.

# Older Americans Month 2020

A Proclamation

**Whereas,** [community/area] includes a growing number of older Americans who make countless contributions to our community every day; and

**Whereas,** [community/area] is stronger when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds are included and encouraged to make their mark; and

**Whereas,** [community/area] recognizes the importance of the physical, mental, social, and emotional well-being of its citizens; and

**Whereas,** [community/area] can support our community members by:

* promoting independence, inclusion, and participation;
* engaging older adults through education, recreation, and service; and
* connecting people with opportunities to share their time, experience, and talents.

**Now, therefore,** [I/we] of [city/town, state or community/area] do hereby proclaim May 2020 to be Older Americans Month. [I/we] urge every resident to recognize older adults and the people who support them as essential members of our community.

Dated this [day] day of [month], 2020

[Name of person/entity approving proclamation]

[Seal, if applicable]