**Older Americans Month 2024**

A Proclamation

Whereas, May is Older Americans Month, a time for us to recognize and honor [community/area/group] older adults and their immense influence on every facet of American society; and

Whereas, through their wealth of life experience and wisdom, older adults guide our younger generations and carry forward abundant cultural and historical knowledge; and

Whereas, older Americans improve our communities through intergenerational relationships, community service, civic engagement, and many other activities; and

 **Whereas**, communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds have the opportunity to participate and live independently; and

Whereas, [community/area/group] must ensure that older Americans have the resources and support needed to stay involved in their communities — reflecting our commitment to inclusivity and connectedness; and

**Now, therefore,** [I/we] of [city/town, state, or community/area] do hereby proclaim May 2024 as Older Americans Month. This year's theme, "Powered by Connection," emphasizes the profound impact of meaningful interactions and social connection on the well-being and health of older adults in our community.

[I/We] call upon all residents to join me in recognizing the contributions of our older citizens and promoting programs and activities that foster connection, inclusion, and support for older adults.

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