



WHEREAS, the month of May was first set aside in 1963 as a special tribute to older Americans; and

WHEREAS, older individuals teach us timeless lessons of courage, sacrifice and love. By sharing their wisdom and experience, they serve as role models for future generations; and

WHEREAS, by treating older individuals with the dignity and respect they deserve, we honor their legacy and contributions to our city. Their guidance and love enrich our community and makes Rockville a better place for all; and

WHEREAS, Rockville is a senior friendly community where we embrace diversity and consider the needs and interests of older individuals in physical and community planning, and respect and support their desire and efforts to continue to live independently in our community by providing the services which will allow them a better quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rockville desires to maintain and improve upon services and programs which assist older individuals and their families through the aging process, thus improving the overall quality of life for everyone in our community and reaffirming the City's commitment to bettering the lives of generations to come;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Council of Rockville do hereby proclaim the month of May 2016 as **OLDER AMERICANS MONTH** in the City of Rockville and urge all citizens to observe this month by focusing on the achievements of older persons and supporting programs and services to enhance the quality of life for Rockville's seniors.



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