

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Seattle is home to more than 210,340 residents aged 50 or older—28 percent of the population—who enrich our community through their diverse experiences, strength, and wisdom; and

WHEREAS, communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds are welcomed, included, and supported; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle has committed to providing services and supports that help older adults experience stable health and live independently, as evidenced by the creation of Age Friendly Seattle, an initiative to make our city a great place to grow up and grow old; hosting the Area Agency on Aging for Seattle and King County in the Seattle Human Services Department; and long-standing programs such as Seattle Parks and Recreation’s Lifelong Recreation Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle benefits from a wealth of experience and wisdom with regular input from community advocates who serve on the Seattle-King County Advisory Council on Aging & Disability Services and the Mayor’s Council on African American Elders; and

WHEREAS, since 1963, our nation has recognized May as Older Americans Month, a time to acknowledge the contributions of past and current older people to our country; and

WHEREAS, the national theme for Older Americans Month 2022—“Age My Way”—provides an opportunity to explore the many ways older adults can remain in and be involved with their communities;

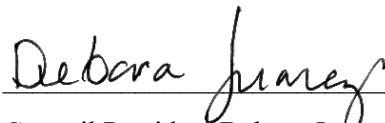
*THEREFORE, THE MAYOR AND THE SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL PROCLAIM
THE MONTH OF MAY 2022 TO BE*

Older Americans Month in Seattle

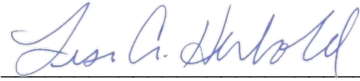
We encourage all Seattle residents to take time this month to connect with older family members, friends, neighbors, and colleagues; acknowledge their valuable contributions, past and present; encourage their ongoing physical, mental, and emotional well-being; and support their choices about how they age in their communities.



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