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Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners

Proclaiming May 2020 as Older Americans Month in Chatham County

WHEREAS, Chatham County joins the nation in observing Older Americans Month in May and echoes the month's 2020 national theme —“*Make Your Mark*” — in recognizing and celebrating the countless contributions that older adults make within our community; and

WHEREAS, Older Americans Month has been celebrated nationally since 1963, when President John F. Kennedy designated May as a special time to celebrate the current and past contributions of older persons to our country; and

WHEREAS, clearly, the people of North Carolina and Chatham County are aging—with Chatham having at least one-third of its population aged 60 and older; and

WHEREAS, we are a stronger community when all residents—young and old—can use their time, talents and life experiences to the best of their abilities to contribute to the greater good — never more evident than during this unprecedented period of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, with an older population, it is vital that our community promotes seniors' continued connection with friends, family and services, and creates opportunities for them to engage in meaningful life-long learning, wellness activities and personal enrichment—even as we have sheltered-in-place; and

WHEREAS, the Chatham County Council on Aging will continue to help lead our community's efforts to celebrate, engage and serve seniors and their families.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Chatham County Board of County Commissioners that May 2020 is proclaimed Older Americans Month. Furthermore, the people of Chatham County are encouraged to support the work of the Chatham County Council on Aging as it works to serve and support Chatham seniors and their families.

Adopted, this the ____ day of _____.

Karen Howard, Chair
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Lindsay K. Ray, NCCCC, Clerk to the Board