



Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners

Proclaiming May 2022 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 2022 national theme – “Age My Way” – focusing on how older adults can stay in their homes and live independently in their communities for as long as possible; and

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

WHEREAS, data indicates that Chatham County and North Carolina as a whole are aging – with Chatham having one-fourth of its population age 65 and older; and

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

WHEREAS, Chatham County recognizes our need to create a community that provides the services and supports older adults need to thrive and live independently for as long as possible; and

WHEREAS, the Chatham County Council on Aging helps to lead our community’s efforts to keep seniors engaged by planning programs that encourage independence, ensuring activities are responsive to individual needs and preferences and increasing access to services that support aging in place.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Chatham County Board of County Commissioners that May 2022 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 County seniors, promoting Chatham County as a community where seniors can “Age My Way.”

Adopted, this the 18 day of April 2022.

Karen Howard, Chair
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Lindsay K. Ray, NCMCC, Clerk to the Board
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

