

Proclamation

Honoring OLDER AMERICANS MONTH MAY 2019

WHEREAS, over 15% of the population in Colorado Springs is older adults who enrich and strengthen our community and in the United States one in five residents will be age 65 or older by 2030; and

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs became an Age Friendly City in 2016 and the City of Colorado Springs is committed to engaging and supporting older adults, their families, and caregivers; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the plentiful contributions of time, talent and experience by older adults in our community; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge the importance of connection and social participation in activities that promote health and personal enrichment—no matter your age; and

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs can enrich the lives of individuals of *every age* by:

- promoting home- and community-based services that support independent living;
- involving older adults in community planning, events, and other activities; and
- create opportunities for older adults to work, volunteer, learn, lead, and mentor; and

WHEREAS, the City Council supports the Colorado Springs Commission on Aging in their work in providing ongoing advocacy for older adults, their support of the Age Friendly Colorado Springs Plan, and advising the Mayor and City Council on policies and issues that affect older adults.

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs offers its support to those living with dementia, and we also recognize those who care and provide for them.


NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard Skorman, President of the Colorado Springs City Council, do hereby proclaim May 2019 as a

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

in Colorado Springs and I urge every citizen to recognize and celebrate the contributions older adults have made to our community.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Colorado Springs to be affixed this 7th day of May, 2019.


Richard Skorman, President
Colorado Springs City Council