

GOVERNOR DOUGLAS A. DUCEY

STATE OF ARIZONA
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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Arizona has experienced unmatched growth in the older adult population across all communities, and by 2020, it is expected that more than 23 percent of Arizonans will be over the age of 60; and

WHEREAS, older Arizonans should be celebrated for their role in creating and strengthening the character of our state, building our communities, and serving as role models for future generations; and

WHEREAS, Arizona is committed to engaging and helping older adults, their families, and caregivers live longer, healthier lives in the communities of their choice for as long as possible; and

WHEREAS, Arizona recognizes the importance of taking part in activities that promote physical, mental, and emotional well-being – regardless of age; and

WHEREAS, our communities can improve 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;
- providing opportunities for older adults to work, volunteer, learn, lead, and mentor; and

WHEREAS, together we can provide opportunities to help older adults take control of their health, get engaged in their communities, and positively impact the lives of others in their communities; and

WHEREAS, participation in activities that increase happiness, health, wisdom, and independence should be encouraged for all ages; and

WHEREAS, Arizona honors the many agencies and programs that support older adults and the importance of working together with community partners.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim May 2019 as

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

and encourage every Arizonan to take time this month to recognize older adults and the people who serve and support them as powerful and vital individuals who greatly contribute to the community.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Douglas A. Ducey
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this first day of May in the year Two Thousand and Nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Third.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
SECRETARY OF STATE