

Resolution Staff Report

DATE:

APRIL 8, 2024

TO:

DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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DOUGLAS J. DEBORD, COUNTY MANAGER

FROM:

TERENCE T. QUINN, AICP, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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JENNIFER A. D'AMBROSIO, COMMUNITY PROGRAMS COORDINATOR RAND M. CLARK, CCAP, NCRT, COMMUNITY SERVICES MANAGER

JENNIFER L. EBY, AICP, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

SUBJECT:

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 2024 AS OLDER AMERICANS MONTH IN

DOUGLAS COUNTY

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING:

April 23, 2024 1:30 pm

I. REQUEST

Across the nation, May is Older Americans Month. The Douglas County Older Adult Initiative requests that the Board of County Commissioners proclaim May 2024 as Older Americans Month in Douglas County to raise awareness about the vital role that social connectedness plays in the health and well-being of the older adult population and in supporting independence and aging in place.

II. BACKGROUND

Established in 1963, Older Americans Month is celebrated every May. Douglas County has one of the fastest-growing older populations in the country. Older Americans Month offers an opportunity to promote how we all benefit when older adults remain socially connected and engaged in our communities.

III. RECOMMENDED ACTION

On behalf of the older residents of Douglas County and the Older Adult Initiative, staff recommends approval of the Resolution Proclaiming May 2024 as Older Americans Month by the Board of County Commissioners.

RESOLUTION NO. R-

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 2024 AS OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

WHEREAS, Douglas County, Colorado is home to an ever-increasing number of older Americans who improve our communities through intergenerational relationships, community service, civic engagement, and many other activities; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County recognizes that communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds have the opportunity to participate and live independently; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County recognizes the profound impact of meaningful interactions and social connection on the well-being and health of older adults in our community; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County recognizes the vital role that connectedness plays in supporting independence and aging in place by combatting isolation, loneliness, and other issues; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County remains steadfast in its commitment to ensure that older Americans have the resources and support needed to stay involved in their communities; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, STATE OF COLORADO, in conjunction with the Douglas County Older Adult Initiative, hereby proclaims that the month of May 2024, shall be commemorated as Older Americans Month. We urge every resident to recognize and celebrate the contributions of our older citizens and help promote programs and activities that foster connection, inclusion, and support for older adults.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this day of Colorado.	of April 2024, in Castle Rock, Douglas County
THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORAD	
BY: GEORGE TEAL Chair	ATTEST: KRISTIN RANDLETT Clerk to the Board