

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
BOARD ACTION SUMMARY**

DEPT: Aging and Veteran Services

BOARD AGENDA:5.A.4
AGENDA DATE: April 24, 2018

SUBJECT:

Approval to Proclaim May 2018 as Older Americans Month in Stanislaus County

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-0169

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa Seconded by Supervisor Monteith
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Olsen, Chiesa, Withrow, Monteith, and Chairman DeMartini

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) Approved as recommended


2) Denied

3) Approved as amended

4) Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST:



ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

File No.

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CONSENT:

CEO CONCURRENCE: YES

4/5 Vote Required: No

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Approval to Proclaim May 2018 as Older Americans Month in Stanislaus County

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

1. Proclaim May 2018 as Older Americans Month in Stanislaus County to acknowledge the contributions of older persons in Stanislaus County.

DISCUSSION:

In 1963, President John Kennedy designated the month of May as "Senior Citizens Month". In 1980, President Jimmy Carter renamed it "Older Americans Month" as a time to acknowledge the contributions of past and current older persons, in particular those who have defended our country. Formal proclamations for the month of May, ask the entire nation to pay tribute, in some way, to the older persons in their community. "Older Americans Month" is celebrated across the country through ceremonies, events, fairs, and other such activities.

The 2018 theme, **Engage at Every Age**, emphasizes that "you are never too old (or young) to take part in activities that can enrich physical, mental, and emotional well-being". The national Administration on Aging advises older Americans on the benefits of being engaged, including participating in activities that promote mental and physical wellness and the benefits of offering wisdom and experience to the next generation.

A proclamation by the Board of Supervisors that the month of May is "Older Americans Month" and issuing a resolution acknowledging the contributions of older persons in Stanislaus County will pay respect to senior citizens in Stanislaus County.

POLICY ISSUE:

The President of the United States has proclaimed the month of May as "Older Americans Month".

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PRIORITY:

The recommended actions are consistent with the Boards' priority of *Supporting Community Health* by promoting community awareness of the many contributions of older persons in Stanislaus County.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There is no staff impact with this request.

CONTACT PERSON:

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ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Resolution Proclaiming May 2018 As Older Americans Month in Stanislaus County

**PROCLAIMING MAY 2018 AS OLDER AMERICANS MONTH
IN STANISLAUS COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Stanislaus County is a community that includes 100,840 citizens aged 60 and older; and,

WHEREAS, the older adult population in Stanislaus County is one of our most “treasured resources,” united by historical experiences, strengthened by diversity, and interpreting events through varied perspectives and backgrounds to bring wisdom and insight to our community; and,

WHEREAS, increasing numbers of adults are reaching retirement age and remaining strong and active for longer than ever before; and,

WHEREAS, the older adults in Stanislaus County deserve recognition for the contributions they have made and will continue to make to the culture, economy, and character of our community and our nation; and,

WHEREAS, our community can provide that recognition and respect by improving the quality of life for older Americans by:

- Increasing their opportunities to remain active and engaged in community life; and,
- Providing individualized services and support systems to maintain the dignity, independence, and self-determination of older Americans as they age; and,
- Combating ageist attitudes by honoring their past, present, and future contributions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby declare and proclaim that the month of May, 2018 be, and hereby is, celebrated as Older Americans Month; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board will participate by passing resolutions based on recommendation of the Senior Awards Committee and present them to the five Outstanding Senior Award Winners at the May 15, 2018, Stanislaus County Board of Supervisor’s meeting.