



**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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**Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners**

**Proclaiming May 2025 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 2025 national theme – “Flip the Script on Aging” – which offers an opportunity to transform how society perceives, talks about and approaches aging.

**WHEREAS**, Chatham County continues to be a place that older adults choose to call home, with Chatham having the 8<sup>th</sup>-highest percentage of county population over the age of 65 in 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds can participate and live independently; and

**WHEREAS**, Chatham County recognizes the need to create a community that offers the services and supports older adults may need to make choices about how they age; and

**WHEREAS**, Chatham County can work to build an even better community for our older residents by not limiting our thinking about aging, exploring and combating stereotypes, emphasizing the many positive aspects of aging, inspiring older adults to push past traditional boundaries, and embracing our community’s diversity; and

**WHEREAS**, Chatham County Aging Services, and its forerunner, the Chatham County Council on Aging, for over 50 years, has strived to preserve the independence of our older adults through a variety of services, educational and social opportunities, designed to promote quality of life and allow persons to remain in their homes for as long as possible.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Chatham County Board of Commissioners that May 2025 is proclaimed “Older Americans Month” and calls upon the people of Chatham County to observe the month by celebrating our older citizens, help to create an inclusive society, and accept the challenge of flexible thinking around aging.**

Adopted, this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

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Karen Howard, Chair

ATTEST:

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Jenifer K Johnson, Clerk to the Board

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