

Proposed: 5/1/2023

RESOLUTION NO. 079-2023(CRR),
First Reading.

By Councilwoman Russell

A Resolution recognizing May 2023 as *Older Americans Month*; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights includes a growing number of older Americans who contribute their time, wisdom, and experience to our community; and

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

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights recognized the need to create a community that offers the services and support older adults may need to make choices about how they age; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights 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
- Embracing our community's diversity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. This Council does hereby proclaim May 2023 as *Older Americans Month* and urges every resident to celebrate our older citizens, help to create an inclusive society, and accept the challenge of flexible thinking around aging.

SECTION 2. Notice of passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to join with other communities in this celebration and the need to proclaim *Older Americans Month* on a timely basis. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution

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shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

MELODY JOY HART
President of the Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____

Approved by Mayor: _____

KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor