

Mecklenburg County

North Carolina

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, is home to a vibrant and growing population of older adults who have contributed immeasurably to the strength, diversity, and vitality of our community; and

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County is dedicated to supporting older adults through programs and services that promote independence, safety, health, and overall well-being; and

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County Child and Family Services, through its Services for Adults division, provides essential support including senior nutrition services, transportation assistance, adult protective services, caregiver support, and opportunities for social engagement; and

WHEREAS, Older Americans Month, established in 1963, is observed each May to recognize the contributions of older Americans and to highlight important issues affecting their health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 theme, "Champion Your Health," encourages older adults in Mecklenburg County to take charge of their health by staying active, connecting socially, utilizing preventive health services, and making informed lifestyle choices; and

WHEREAS, Mecklenburg County remains committed to fostering an age-friendly community where older adults can thrive, remain engaged, and live with dignity and purpose; and

WHEREAS, families, caregivers, community organizations, and local leaders all play a critical role in supporting older adults in leading healthy, fulfilling lives;

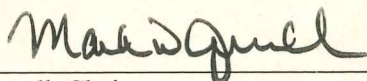
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners hereby recognizes May 2026 as

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, and urges all residents to honor older adults and support efforts that promote healthy aging; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that all citizens are encouraged to embrace the theme "Champion Your Health" by participating in activities, programs, and initiatives that enhance the well-being of older adults throughout Mecklenburg County.

Dated this 5th day of May 2026



Mark D. Jerrell, Chair
Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners

