

# Mecklenburg County

## North Carolina

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, Mecklenburg County is a community where more than 160,000 residents are aged 60 and older; and

**WHEREAS**, the older adults in Mecklenburg County are the roots from which our community grows, who bestow gifts of wisdom, experience and insight upon younger generations, and strengthen the bonds between neighbors to create a better place to live; and

**WHEREAS**, Mecklenburg County includes a thriving community of older Americans who deserve recognition for their contributions and sacrifices to ensure a better life for future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, Mecklenburg County can enrich the lives of individuals of every age by promoting services that support independent living; involving older adults in community planning, events, and other activities; and providing opportunities for older adults to work, volunteer, learn, lead, and mentor; and

**WHEREAS**, Older Americans Month provides an opportunity to raise awareness of the importance of community engagement as a tool for enhancing the wellbeing of older adults and making the benefits of community living a reality for more older Americans:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners, in conjunction with the national observance of Older Americans Month with the theme "*Engage At Every Age*," does hereby proclaim May 2018 as

### "OLDER AMERICANS MONTH"

in Mecklenburg County and urges all residents to take time to honor and celebrate older adults and the people who serve and support them as powerful and vital individuals who greatly contribute to our community.

**This the 1st day of May 2018.**



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**Ella B. Scarborough, Chair**  
**Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners**

