## **Older Americans Month Sample Proclamation**

May is Older Americans Month. Use this template to create and adopt your own Older Americans Month 2013 proclamation. This year's theme is "Unleash the Power of Age!"

## Older Americans Month 2013 A Proclamation

Whereas, (INSERT COMMUNITY/ORGANIZATION NAME) includes (INSERT NUMBER OF OLDER ADULTS IN YOUR COMMUNITY/ORGANIZATION) citizens ages 60 and older; and

Whereas, (INSERT COMMUNITY/ORGANIZATION NAME) is committed to valuing all individuals and recognizing their ongoing life achievements; and

Whereas, the older adults in (INSERT COMMUNITY NAME) play an important role by continuing to contribute experience, knowledge, wisdom, and accomplishments; and

Whereas, our older adults are active community members involved in volunteering, mentorship, arts and culture, and civic engagement; and

Whereas, recognizing the successes of community elders encourages their ongoing participation and further accomplishments; and

Whereas, our community can provide opportunities to allow older citizens to continue to flourish by:

- Emphasizing the importance of elders and their leadership by publicly recognizing their continued achievements
- Presenting opportunities for older Americans to share their wisdom, experience, and skills
- Recognizing older adults as a valuable asset in strengthening American communities

**Now therefore,** (I/WE) of (CITY/TOWN) (STATE) do hereby proclaim May 2013 to be Older Americans Month. (I/WE) urge every citizen to take time this month to recognize older adults and the people who serve and support them as powerful and vital citizens who greatly contribute to the community.

Dated this	day of (MONTH), 2013
(Name of body	approving proclamation)
By	