



# City of Bellevue | Proclamation

- Whereas:** President John F. Kennedy designated May as Senior Citizens Month to pay tribute to older adults across the country. In 1980, President Carter changed the name to Older Americans Month; and
- Whereas:** each May, Older Americans Month shines a spotlight on the valuable contributions of older adults while reinforcing the importance of community support, connection and inclusion; and
- Whereas:** the City of Bellevue honors and values its older adult population - individuals who serve as leaders, caregivers, volunteers and mentors, helping to build a more vibrant, resilient and intergenerational community; and
- Whereas:** the 2025 national theme for Older Americans Month, "Flip the Script on Aging," invites all of us to challenge outdated stereotypes and recognize aging as a time of continued growth, purpose and possibility; and
- Whereas:** Bellevue is committed to fostering an age-friendly city that prioritizes accessibility, belonging and opportunity for people of all ages and abilities; and
- Whereas:** the City of Bellevue works in partnership with local organizations and community members to provide services, programs and resources that empower older adults to remain active, connected and engaged in the life of the city.

**Now, therefore, I,** Lynne Robinson, Mayor of Bellevue, Washington, on behalf of the Bellevue City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of **May 2025**, as

## Older Americans Month

in Bellevue and encourage all residents to recognize the resilience, wisdom, and continuing contributions of older adults, and to help "flip the script" by celebrating aging as a dynamic and valued stage of life.

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Lynne Robinson, Mayor  
City of Bellevue