



City of Bellevue | Proclamation

Whereas: President John F. Kennedy designated May as Senior Citizens Month to honor older adults across the country, and in 1980 President Jimmy Carter renamed it Older Americans Month; and

Whereas: each May, Older Americans Month recognizes the valuable contributions of older adults while reinforcing the importance of community, 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: older adults continue to shape our community through their experience, knowledge and civic engagement, demonstrating that aging is a time of continued growth, purpose and contribution; and

Whereas: Bellevue is committed to fostering a 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 support older adults in remaining active, connected and engaged in community life.

Now, therefore, I, Mo Malakoutian, Mayor of Bellevue, Washington, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim **May 2026 as:**

Older Americans Month

in Bellevue and encourage all residents to recognize the resilience, wisdom and contributions of older adults and to celebrate aging as a valued and dynamic stage of life.

Mo Malakoutian, Mayor
City of Bellevue