## RESOLUTION NO. R-018-041

## THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

## A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 2018 AS OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

WHEREAS, Douglas County, Colorado has one of the fastest growing older adult populations in the Country with the population age 60 and over expected to be 25 percent by 2030; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County includes a community of older adults who deserve recognition for their rich contributions to our County, to Colorado, and the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, Douglas County recognizes that older adults are trailblazers, advocating for themselves, their peers, and their communities, paving the way for future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, Douglas County is committed to raising awareness about issues facing older adults, their families and caregivers; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County acknowledges the importance of participating in activities that promote physical, mental and emotional well-being, not matter what age a person is; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge that what it means "to age" has changed for the better; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County can provide opportunities to enrich the lives of individuals of all ages by:

- Involving older adults in the redefining of aging in our communities;
- Ensuring older adults have ways to advocate for themselves and provide information to local elected officials;
- Emphasizing home and community-based services that support independent living;
- Expanding partnerships with local providers to expand services and build capacity;
- Ensuring community members can benefit from the contributions and experience of older adults.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, STATE OF COLORADO, hereby proclaims that the month of May 2018, shall be commemorated as Older Americans Month. We urge every County resident to take time this month to acknowledge older adults, and the people who provide services to them, as powerful and vital individuals who greatly contribute to our community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2018, in Castle Rock, Douglas County, Colorado.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO

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Chair

**ATTEST** 

**Emily Wren** 

Clerk to the Board