

County of Buncombe
Proclamation

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

Whereas, Buncombe County is home to more than 75,000 older Americans over the age of 60 who contribute their strength, wisdom, and experience to our community; and

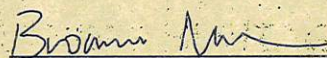
Whereas, communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds are welcomed, included, and supported; and

Whereas, the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners and partner agencies recognize our need to create a community that provides the services and supports older Americans need to thrive and live independently for as long as possible; and

Whereas, Buncombe County can work to build an even better community for our older residents by:

- Planning programs that encourage independence.
- Ensuring activities are responsive to individual needs and preferences.
- Increasing access to services that support aging in place.

Now, therefore, the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim May 2022 to be **Older Americans Month**. We urge every resident to recognize the contributions of our older neighbors, help to create an inclusive society, and join efforts to support older Americans' choices about how they age in their communities.


Brownie Newman, Chairman
Buncombe County Board of Commissioners