

## Proclamation Recognizing May as Older Americans Month

- **WHEREAS,** Albemarle County includes a growing number of older Americans, currently over 18 percent of the population, who contribute their strength, wisdom, and experience to our community; and
- WHEREAS, our community benefits when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds are welcomed, included, and supported; and
- **WHEREAS,** Albemarle County recognizes our need to create a community that provides the services and supports older Americans need to thrive and live independently; and
- **WHEREAS,** Albemarle County can work to build an even better community for our older residents by providing supports and services that allow for greater independence, developing infrastructure that is responsive to individual needs and preferences, and designing programs, services, and policies with people of all ages in mind.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that we, the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors, do hereby recognize May 2022 as Older Americans Month. And urge every resident to recognize our older citizens' contributions, help create an inclusive society, and join efforts to support older Americans' choices about how they age in their communities.

Signed this 18th day of May 2022.

Donna Price, Chair Albemarle Board of County Supervisors