



RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

WHEREAS, older Americans represent a significant portion of our nation's demographic make-up; and

WHEREAS, Florida has the highest population percentage of residents age 65 and older; and

WHEREAS, more than 5.3 million older adults call the state of Florida home, enriching and strengthening our communities; and

WHEREAS, the number of older Floridians will increase to more than 7 million by the year 2030; and

WHEREAS, the state of Florida is committed to engaging and supporting older adults, their families, and caregivers; and

WHEREAS, our seniors are diverse, respected citizens who contribute to our nation and our state's social and economic well-being; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of older Americans are invaluable and the tapestry of our state would not be as strong if not for the older residents who call Florida home;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing May 2018 as *Older Americans Month*.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 30th day of April, in the year two thousand eighteen.



Governor