

# CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE



## PROCLAMATION

### Older Americans Month May 2023

**WHEREAS** Charlottesville includes a growing number of older residents who contribute their time, 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 theme of Older Americans Month is “Aging Unbound”, recognizing the importance of:

- Not limiting our thinking about aging,
- Exploring and combating stereotypes,
- Emphasizing the many positive aspects of aging,
- Inspiring older adults to push past traditional boundaries, and
- Embracing our community’s diversity; and

**WHEREAS** Charlottesville recognizes our need to create a community that offers the services and supports that older adults may need to make choices about how they age; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Charlottesville City Council hereby proclaims May 2023 to be **Older Americans Month**. We urge every resident to celebrate our older citizens, to help create an inclusive society, and to accept the challenge of flexible thinking around aging.

Signed and dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2023.

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**J. Lloyd Snook, III, Mayor**

**Attest:**

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**Kyna Thomas, Clerk of Council**