



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, it is important to acknowledge the contributions older individuals have made in our communities and in the workplace to the economic well-being of our nation through civic leadership and mentoring; and

WHEREAS, our expanding elder population profoundly impacts every facet of our lives, redefining our ideas of work, retirement and leisure, altering our housing and living arrangements, challenging our healthcare systems, reshaping our economy, and altering social and public policy; and


WHEREAS, the opportunities and challenges that await us require our continued commitment to the goal of ensuring that our senior citizens enjoy active, productive and healthy lives, and do so independently, safely and with dignity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ankeny can work to build an even better community for our older community members by:

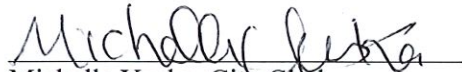
- Planning programs that encourage independence
- Ensuring activities are responsive to individual needs and preferences
- Increasing access to services that support aging in place

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mark Holm, Mayor of the City of Ankeny, do hereby proclaim May, 2023 as Older Americans Month and urge all residents to take the time to honor our older adults and the professionals, family members, and people who care for them.

DATED AND SIGNED this 1st day of May, 2023.


Mark E. Holm, Mayor

ATTEST:


Michelle Yuska, City Clerk