

**PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING
OLDER AMERICAN MONTH
2012**

WHEREAS, the Township of Washington, County of Warren, is a community that includes numerous citizens aged 60 and older; and

WHEREAS, the older adults in the Township of Washington, County of Warren are the roots from which our community grows, who bestow gifts of wisdom and insight upon younger generations, and strengthen the bonds between neighbors to create a better place to live; and

WHEREAS, our society can be enhanced by older adults aging peacefully in their communities; and

WHEREAS, the older adults in the Township of Washington, County of Warren should be commended for their role in creating and bolstering the fiber of our community and nation; and

WHEREAS, our community can provide that recognition and respect by enriching the quality of life for older Americans by:

- Increasing their opportunities to remain in their communities as active and engaged citizens
- Providing services, technologies, and support systems that allow seniors to foster and maintain connections within the community
- Emphasizing the value of elders by publicly recognizing their contributions to the diversity, strength, and unity of our community

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Warren do hereby proclaim May 2012 to be Older Americans Month. The Township Committee urges every citizen to take time this month to honor our older adults and the professionals, family members, and volunteers who care for them. Our recognition of older Americans and their involvement in our lives can help us achieve stronger and more meaningful connections with each other and enrich our community's quality of life.

Dated this 17th day of April, 2012



Michael A. Kovacs, Mayor