



# *Proclamation*

## **Older Americans Month, May 2024**

### **TO THE CITIZENS OF BEL AIRE, KANSAS, GREETINGS:**

**Whereas**, May is Older Americans Month, a time for us to recognize and honor older adults and their immense influence on every facet of American society; and

**Whereas**, through their wealth of life experience and wisdom, older adults guide our younger generations and carry forward abundant cultural and historical knowledge; and

**Whereas**, older Americans improve our communities through intergenerational relationships, community service, civic engagement, and many other activities; and

**Whereas**, communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds have the opportunity to participate and live independently; and

**Whereas**, Bel Aire must ensure that older Americans have the resources and support needed to stay involved in their communities — reflecting our commitment to inclusivity and connectedness; and

**Now therefore**, I, Mayor Jim Benage, do hereby proclaim May 2024 as Older Americans Month.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the official seal of Bel Aire, Kansas this 7th day of May, 2024.

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Jim Benage, Mayor

