



*The Office of the Mayor*  
**PROCLAMATION**

- WHEREAS,** every May, the Administration for Community Living leads the nation's observance and celebration of Older Americans Month (OAM); and,
- WHEREAS,** the 2023 theme is Aging Unbound, which offers an opportunity to explore diverse aging experiences and discuss how communities can combat stereotypes; and,
- WHEREAS,** the City of Meridian includes 26,690 older Americans, which is 21% of the city population, who contribute their time, wisdom, and experience to our community; and,
- WHEREAS,** communities in Idaho benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds have the opportunity to participate and live independently, and remain engaged and included; and,
- WHEREAS,** the City of Meridian recognizes the need to create a community that offers the services and supports older adults may need to make choices about how they age.

**THEREFORE,** I, Mayor Robert E. Simison, do hereby proclaim May 2023 as

***Older Americans Month***

in the City of Meridian and encourage all citizens to celebrate our older citizens, help to create an inclusive society, and accept the challenge of flexible thinking around aging.

*Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2023*

  
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