

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, *The City of Salem is committed to supporting older adults as they champion their health, wellness, and independence; and*

WHEREAS, *the 2026 Older Americans Month theme, "Champion Your Health," highlights the importance of prevention, personal responsibility, and making informed decisions to age well; and*

WHEREAS, *older adults in our community bring a wealth of experience, knowledge, and wisdom, contributing to the strength and vitality of Salem and*

WHEREAS, *we recognize the need to create an environment where older adults can actively take charge of their health through preventive care, community connections, and healthy lifestyle choices; and*

WHEREAS, *City of Salem acts to support seniors by expanding access to nutritious meals, wellness programs, and social opportunities, ensuring they can thrive and age with dignity;*

NOW, THEREFORE, *I, Julie Hoy, Mayor of the City of Salem, do hereby proclaim May 2026 as*

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

I urge every resident to recognize the achievements of older adults and to join in championing health, independence, and engagement in our community.

DATED *this twenty-sixth day of May 2026.*



Julie Hoy
Mayor