



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

WHEREAS: Georgia is home to over 1.6 million citizens aged 60 and older. Our state is committed to valuing all individuals and recognizing their ongoing life achievements; and

WHEREAS: Older Georgians play an important role by continuing to contribute their experience, knowledge, wisdom, and accomplishments to our great state. They have impacted every aspect of subsequent generations through their ingenuity, hard work, and inspirational courage that is responsible for the freedoms we now enjoy; and

WHEREAS: Our older citizens are active community members involved in volunteering, mentorship, arts and culture, and civic engagement. Recognizing the successes of community elders encourages their ongoing participation and further accomplishments; and

WHEREAS: Older Americans Month offers us an opportunity to recognize and thank the members of this wise, devoted, and active population for all that they have contributed and will continue to contribute to Georgia; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 2016 as OLDER AMERICANS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand sixteen.



*Nathan Deal*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Chris W. Riley*

CHIEF OF STAFF