

**IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

May 6, 2014

PRESENT: Supervisors

ABSENT:

**RESOLUTION NO.  
RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 2014 AS  
“OLDER AMERICANS MONTH” IN SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY**

The following resolution is hereby offered and read:

**WHEREAS**, the County of San Luis Obispo includes 79,963 citizens ages 60 and older; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of San Luis Obispo is committed to helping all individuals live longer, healthier lives; and

**WHEREAS**, the older adults in San Luis Obispo County have made countless contributions and sacrifices to ensure a better life for future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the value of wellness, injury prevention and safety awareness in helping older adults remain healthy and active; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of San Luis Obispo supports senior services to enhance health and safety through the Adult Services Policy Council, Area Agency on Aging, County Departments and community based organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, The County of San Luis Obispo will recognize and honor its citizens who make a difference in the quality of the lives of senior citizens at the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual celebration of Older Americans Month on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at a Celebration Tea; and

**WHEREAS**, our community can provide opportunities to enrich the lives of individuals young and old by:

- Emphasizing the need to take action to safeguard themselves from unintentional injuries where they live, work and socialize
- Providing information on avoiding leading causes of injury for older adults – falls, motor vehicle-related incidents, suffocation, medication overdose, and fire/burns
- Helping older adults take control of their safety and wellbeing

**WHEREAS**, our community recognizes that younger people have an important role with the opportunity to help their elderly neighbors and friends through both informal and formal volunteerism;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the County of San Luis Obispo does hereby proclaim May 2014 to be Older Americans Month and embraces the theme “Safe Today, Healthy Tomorrow.” We urge every resident to take time this month to recognize older adults and the people who serve and support them as powerful and vital individuals who greatly contribute to the community.