There are more than 3.6 million Texans over the age of 65, and these people create the strong and prosperous foundation upon which our state is built. These great Texans enrich our culture by imparting wisdom upon younger generations and inspire our communities with their hard work, vision, sacrifice, and diverse experiences.

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission, area agencies on aging, local authorities, and a network of other community partners are committed to strengthening our communities by connecting with and supporting older Texans, their families, and their caregivers, as well as acknowledging the valuable contributions of Texans who are older to our state.

We can bring together all generations of Texans to enhance the lives of older Texans in our communities. The changing needs of a growing number of Texans who are older can present new challenges, but our communities will rise to that challenge to ensure older Texans receive the support they need, whether that be in health care, employment, transportation, or other areas of life.

At this time, I encourage all younger Texans to recognize, support, and engage with their older peers, which will create richer communities and increase the vibrancy of our state as a whole.

Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim May 2020 to be

Older Texans Month

in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof,
I hereby affix my signature this the 8th day of May, 2020.