

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Office on Aging

SUBMITTAL DATE:
April 26, 2010

SUBJECT: Proclaim May 2010 as Older Americans Month in Riverside County

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors proclaim the month of May 2010 as Older Americans Month in Riverside County and approve the attached proclamation.

BACKGROUND:

Each year May is proclaimed Older Americans Month across the Country and is a time set aside to honor our older adults and the professionals, family members, and citizens who care for them. Our efforts can improve the lives of our older adults and help pave the way for future generations. Every year the Administration on Aging (AoA) issues a theme for Older Americans Month. This year's theme "Age Strong, Live Long" reflects AoA's and Office on Aging's continued focus on prevention efforts and programs throughout the county that are helping older adults have a better quality of life as they age and avoid the risks and minimize the impact of chronic disease, disability and injury.

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**FINANCIAL
DATA**

Current F.Y. Total Cost:	-0-	In Current Year Budget:	No
Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	-0-	Budget Adjustment:	No
Annual Net County Cost:	-0-	For Fiscal Year:	09/10

SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY:

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County Executive Office Signature

Dept's Recomm.: ☒ Consent ☐ Policy
 Per Exec. Ofc.: ☒ Consent ☐ Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.:

District: All

Agenda Number:

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Older Americans Month May 2010
"Age Strong! Live Long!"

Whereas, Riverside County is a community that includes over 250,000 citizens aged 60 and older; and

Whereas, the older adults in Riverside County are among our most "treasured resources," united by historical experiences, strengthened by diversity, and interpreting events through varied perspectives and backgrounds to bring wisdom and insight to our community; and

Whereas, increasing numbers of adults are reaching retirement age and remaining strong and active for longer than ever before; and

Whereas, the older adults in Riverside County deserve recognition for the contributions they have made and will continue to make to the culture, economy, and character of our community and our nation; and

Whereas, our community can provide that recognition and respect by improving the quality of life for older Americans by:

Increasing their opportunities to remain active and engaged in community life;

Providing individualized services and support systems to maintain the dignity, independence, and self-determination of older Americans as they age;

Combating ageist attitudes by honoring their past, present, and future contributions;

Now Therefore, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim May 2010 to be Older Americans Month. We urge every citizen to take time to honor our older adults and the professionals, family members, and volunteers who care for many of them. Our recognition and involvement of older Americans can enrich our entire community's quality of life.