



**RICK SCOTT**  
GOVERNOR

**OLDER AMERICANS MONTH**

**WHEREAS, older Americans represent a significant portion of our nation's demographic make-up; and**

**WHEREAS, Florida has the highest population percentage of residents age 65 and older; and**

**WHEREAS, more than 5.3 million older adults call the state of Florida home, enriching and strengthening our communities; and**

**WHEREAS, the number of older Floridians will increase to more than 7 million by the year 2030; and**

**WHEREAS, the state of Florida is committed to engaging and supporting older adults, their families, and caregivers; and**


**WHEREAS, our seniors are diverse, respected citizens who contribute to our nation and our state's social and economic well-being; and**

**WHEREAS, the contributions of older Americans are invaluable and the tapestry of our state would not be as strong if not for the older residents who call Florida home;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing May 2018 as *Older Americans Month*.**



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, in the year two thousand eighteen.**

  
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Governor