



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: May 1, 2012

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Sherri E. Fleming,
County Executive for Health and Human Services and Veterans Service

Commissioners Court Sponsor: Commissioner Karen Huber, Pct. 3

AGENDA LANGUAGE:

Approve Resolution Recognizing the Month of May 2012 as "Older Americans Month" in Travis County.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

The Court has a long history of support and commitment to the County's older residents and engaging the resources and expertise they bring to volunteer opportunities in the Travis County community. This proposed resolution recognizes the issues faced and contributions made by Older Americans.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends approval of this proposed resolution.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

This resolution provides an opportunity for the Court to the contributions and achievements of older adults who have enriched our community's quality of life and to the professionals, family members, and volunteers who care for them in Travis County.

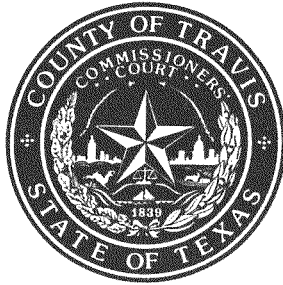
FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

This item will not increase the County Budget.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

AGENDA REQUEST DEADLINE: All agenda requests and supporting materials must be submitted as a pdf to Cheryl Aker in the County Judge's office, Cheryl.Aker@co.travis.tx.us by Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. for the next week's meeting.

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Resolution

WHEREAS, Travis County is a community that includes over 118,000 citizens age 60 and older;

WHEREAS, The Austin-Round Rock metro area has the fastest growing pre-senior (age 55-64) population and the second fastest growing senior (age 65+) population in the United States;

WHEREAS, Travis County and Coming of Age Austin Metro are committed to helping all individuals maintain their health, wellness, and independence in later life;

WHEREAS, the older adults in Travis County play an esteemed role in sharing their knowledge, wisdom, and understanding of our rich community history with children, youth, and adults from all generations;

WHEREAS, the interactions of older adults with family, friends, and neighbors improve the lives of everyone in our community; and

WHEREAS, Travis County and Coming of Age Austin Metro can provide opportunities to enrich citizens young and old by:

- Emphasizing the value of including older adults in public and family life,
- Encouraging older adults to remain actively involved in strengthening our community through volunteerism,
- Creating opportunities for older adults to interact with people of different generations, and
- Providing informational services, learning opportunities, hands-on activities, and support systems that allow older adults to participate in social activities throughout our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT THAT ALL CITIZENS OF TRAVIS COUNTY ARE URGED TO OBSERVE MAY 2012 AS:

"OLDER AMERICANS MONTH" IN TRAVIS COUNTY

IN RECOGNITION OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF OLDER ADULTS WHO HAVE ENRICHED OUR COMMUNITY'S QUALITY OF LIFE AND TO THE PROFESSIONALS, FAMILY MEMBERS, AND VOLUNTEERS WHO CARE FOR THEM.

SIGNED AND ENTERED THIS _____ DAY OF MAY, 2012.

SAMUEL T. BISCOE
COUNTY JUDGE

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COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1

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