

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the month of May was proclaimed "Older American Month" 50 years ago by President John F. Kennedy; and since that time, the entire nation has been participating in activities or events that focus on the past and current contributions made by senior citizens during the month of May; and

**WHEREAS**, the contributions of our Older Americans and their efforts on behalf of the community have resulted in the growth and prosperity of Ormond Beach, as it is through wisdom and knowledge acquired from years of varied experience that our older Americans offer us a better understanding of our place in history, having experienced the Great Depression, world wars and numerous other historical events. They have had time to learn patience and perseverance, and have much to teach our children; and

**WHEREAS**, in celebration of Older Americans Month, the Council on Aging, AARP, Florida Health Care Plans, Humana, Ormond by the Sea Lions Club and Walgreens, have joined forces in Volusia County to conduct a week-long food drive to assist at risk seniors who go hungry every day and that we, as a community, can make a difference for our seniors in need;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 2015, as

## OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

in the City of Ormond Beach and encourage all residents to join in a community effort to give meaning to the theme of this special month by recognizing and appreciating the valuable contributions made by our older Americans and by supporting the Older Americans food drive in Volusia County.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Fifteen.



*Ed Kelley*  
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Mayor