

State of Maine



WHEREAS, Maine is fortunate to have over 400,000 people aged 60 and over who contribute skills, talent, wisdom, and experience to our great state; and

WHEREAS, our communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds can participate fully with the highest level of independence; and

WHEREAS, older Mainers improve our communities through intergenerational relationships, community service, civic engagement, and meaningful contributions to Maine's workforce and economy; and

WHEREAS, Maine must ensure that as we age, we have the resources and support needed to stay involved in our communities, reflecting our commitment to inclusivity and connectedness; and

WHEREAS, Maine recognizes the valuable role of caregivers and the need to promote programs and services that support and foster their well-being; and

WHEREAS, Maine recognizes the profound impact of meaningful interactions and social connection on the well-being and health of older adults and caregivers in our community; and

WHEREAS, promoting age positivity and challenging stereotypes benefits everyone in Maine and improves the health, quality of life, and financial well-being of older adults; and

WHEREAS, as Governor, I established the Cabinet on Aging to elevate the voices of older adults and advance policies that improve quality of life, inclusion, and engagement of older adults;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Janet T. Mills, Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim May 2026 as

Older Americans Month

in Maine, and I urge everyone to join me in recognizing the contributions of older people and promoting programs and activities that foster connection and support for older adults and build stronger communities for all.



In testimony whereof, I have caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed GIVEN under my hand at Augusta this twenty third day of April Two Thousand Twenty-Six

Janet T. Mills
Governor

Shenna Bellows
Secretary of State