

# *City of Vancouver, Washington*

## **Proclamation**

- WHEREAS, since 1963, May is annually recognized as “Older Americans Month”; and according to the Administration for Community Living, this years’ theme is “Flip the Script on Aging,” which challenges how society perceives, talks about, and approaches aging; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Vancouver understands that social and civic participation and social inclusion are important for the health and livability of the community, enabling its members to age in place; and
- WHEREAS, our older adults are active community members involved in volunteering, mentorship, arts and culture, and civic engagement; and
- WHEREAS, older Americans improve our communities through intergenerational relationships, community service, civic engagement, and many other activities; and
- WHEREAS, our community can provide opportunities to allow older community members to continue to flourish by emphasizing the importance of elders and their leadership by publicly recognizing their continued achievements; presenting opportunities for older Americans to share their wisdom, experience, and skills; and recognizing older adults as an asset in strengthening American communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anne McEnerny-Ogle, Mayor of Vancouver, Washington, do hereby proclaim the month of May as:

### **“ Older Americans Month ”**

in the City of Vancouver and call upon the people of Vancouver to join us in celebrating and recognizing the contributions of older community members, and in promoting programs and activities that foster connection, inclusion, and support for older adults.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Vancouver to be affixed this 12th day of May 2025

*Anne McEnerny-Ogle*

**ANNE McENERNY-OGLE, MAYOR**