RESOLUTION 2015-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BENTON CITY, WA PROCLAIMING MAY 2015 TO BE OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

WHEREAS, the City of Benton City, Washington includes a thriving community of older Americans who deserve recognition for their contributions and sacrifices to ensure a better life for future generations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Benton City, Washington is committed to helping all individuals live longer, healthier lives in the communities of their choice for as long as possible; and

WHEREAS, since 1965, the Older Americans Act has provided services that help older adults remain healthy and independent by complementing existing medical and health care systems, helping prevent hospital readmissions, and supporting some of life's most basic functions, such as bathing or preparing meals; and

WHEREAS, these programs also support family caregivers, and address issues of exploitation, neglect and abuse of older adults; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the value of community engagement and service in helping older adults remain healthy and active while giving back to others; and

WHEREAS, our community can provide opportunities to enrich the lives of individuals of all ages by:

- Promoting and engaging in activity, wellness, and social inclusion.
- Emphasizing home- and community-based services that support independent living.
- Ensuring community members of all ages benefit from the contributions and experience of older adults; NOW THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENTON CITY, WASHINGTON, hereby resolves as follows:

The City Council of the City of Benton City are committed to helping all individuals live longer, healthier lives; and hereby proclaim May 2015 to be Older Americans Month. We urge every citizen to take time this month to celebrate older adults and the people who serve and support them as powerful and vital individuals who greatly contribute to the community

ADOPTED this 5 day of May, 2015, by the City Council of the City of Benton City, Washington, and signed in authentication of its passage this 5 day of May, 2015.

Resolution 2015-07 filed and recorded in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Benton City, Washington, this 5 day of May, 2015.

Lloyd R. Carnahan

Mayor

Attest:

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