

Office of the County Judge
Fort Bend County

Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** Fort Bend County is home to more than 113,500 citizens aged 55 and older united by historical experiences and strengthened by diversity and interpretation of events through varied perspectives and backgrounds to bring wisdom and insight to our community; and
- WHEREAS,** Every year, thousands of elderly citizens are victims of abuse, neglect and exploitation and denied many of their rights; because elder abuse knows no boundaries as it affects all racial, cultural, religious and socio-economic groups.
- WHEREAS,** Today, however, we want to commend two agencies - Adult Protective Services and Fort Bend Senior Citizens Meals on Wheels and Much, Much More - who recognize that our older Americans in Fort Bend County are among our most treasured resources and should be protected and revered; and
- WHEREAS,** Older adults in Fort Bend County deserve our recognition by honoring their past, their present, and the future contributions they will continue to make to the culture, economy and character of our community and our nation; and
- WHEREAS,** Our community can provide that recognition and respect by improving the quality of life for older Americans by increasing their opportunities to remain active and engaged in community life; providing individualized services and support systems to maintain their dignity and independence as they age.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert E. Hebert, County Judge of Fort Bend County, Texas, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2013 as

Older Americans Month

and urge every citizen to work, as these agencies have, to help reduce abuse, neglect, and exploitation of people who are elderly and disabled.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused the
Official Seal of the County Judge to be
affixed this 7th day of May 2013.

Robert E. Hebert, County Judge
Fort Bend County