## Office of the County Judge Fort Bend County Proclamation

WHEREAS.

Fort Bend County is home to more than 130,363 citizens aged 55 and older united by historical experiences and strengthened by diversity and interpretation of events through varied perspectives and backgrounds: and

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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.

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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.

we recognize the benefits of wisdom, strength, courage and knowledge of the elderly and disabled, and the future contributions they will continue to make to the culture, economy and character of our community and our nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert E. Hebert, County Judge of Fort Bend County, Texas, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2014 as

## Older Americans Month

and urge every citizen to work to help reduce abuse, neglect, and exploitation of people who are elderly and disabled, and improve their quality of life by increasing their opportunities to remain active and engaged in community life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused the Official Seal of the Office of the County Judge to be affixed this 6th day of May, 2014.

Robert E. Hebert, County Judge Fort Bend County