



Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas:

Older adults play vital, positive roles in our communities- as family members, friends, mentors, volunteers, members of the workforce, and more. Just as every person is unique, so too is how they age and how they choose to do it; and

WHEREAS: The City of Lima, OH includes a growing number of older Americans who contribute their strength, wisdom, and experience to our community; and

WHEREAS: Communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds are welcomed, included, and supported; and

WHEREAS: The City of Lima and the Area Agency on Aging 3 recognize our need to create a community that provides the services and supports older Americans need to thrive and live independently for as long as possible; and

WHEREAS: The City of Lima and the Area Agency on Aging 3 can work to build an even better community for our older residents by planning programs that encourage independence, ensuring activities are responsive to individual needs and preferences and increasing access to services that support aging in place.

NOW THEREFORE: I, Sharetta Smith, Mayor of the City of Lima, Ohio do hereby proclaim May 2022 as

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

in Lima, Ohio, and I urge every resident to recognize the contributions of our older citizens, help to create an inclusive society, and join efforts to support older Americans' choices about how they age in their communities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Lima, Ohio, this 27th day of April 2022.

SHARETTA SMITH, MAYOR
CITY OF LIMA, OHIO

