Town of Hartford, Vermont Older Americans Month 2023 A PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the Town of Hartford, Vermont includes a growing number of older Americans who contribute their time, wisdom, and experience to our community; and

Whereas, communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds have the opportunity to participate and live independently; and

Whereas, the Town of Hartford recognizes the need to create a community that offers the services and supports older adults may need to make choices about how they age; and

Whereas, the Town of Hartford can work to build an even better community for our older residents by:

- Not limiting our thinking about aging,
- Exploring and combating stereotypes,
- Emphasizing the many positive aspects of aging,
- Inspiring older adults to push past traditional boundaries, and
- Embracing our community's diversity.

Now, therefore, we the Hartford, Selectboard, do hereby proclaim May 2023 to be Older Americans Month. We urge every resident to celebrate our older citizens, help to create an inclusive society, and accept the challenge of flexible thinking around aging.

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