

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, May is "Older Americans Month", which recognizes older Americans for their contributions to the nation, and to acknowledge older adults taking charge of their health, staying engaged in their communities and making a positive impact on their lives, the lives of others and the vibrancy of their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Older Americans Act, first enacted in 1965, provides a nationwide network to help older adults live with dignity in the communities of their choice, provides for home-delivered and congregate meals, caregiver support, preventive health services, personal care, transportation, job training and elder abuse education and prevention; and

WHEREAS, Older Americans Month encourages older Americans to remain independent, stay involved in their communities, engaged in enhancing their own personal quality of life and that of others, and encourages support and recognition for the special and unique needs of senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, DuRide is a unique local non-profit organization that provides rides for citizens age 65 and older who cannot drive themselves, coordinating nearly 300 members who need help, with 160 volunteer drivers who use their own vehicles to provide over 1,000 rides a month. Since 2008, DuRide has provided over 100,000 rides in Dubuque, Asbury and East Dubuque.

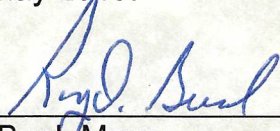
NOW THEREFORE, I, ROY BUOL, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL, STAFF AND THE CITIZENS OF DUBUQUE, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF MAY 2019 AS:

"DURIDE IN SERVICE TO OLDER AMERICANS MONTH"


IN THE CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA.



IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Dubuque to be affixed this 20th day of May 2019.



Roy D. Buol, Mayor

Attest:


Kevin S. Firnstahl, CMC, City Clerk