

**TOWN OF CLAYTON
PROCLAIMING MAY 2012 AS OLDER AMERICANS MONTH**

WHEREAS, the Town of Clayton joins the State of North Carolina and the Nation in declaring May as Older Americans Month; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 47th Anniversary of the passage of the "Older Americans Act" by the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS, America's aging population reached a turning point in 2006 as one of our nation's largest generations, the baby boomers, started turning 60 – becoming eligible for programs under the Older Americans Act; and

WHEREAS, May has traditionally been celebrated with tributes to older persons through ceremonies, events, fairs, and other activities at Senior Centers and other locations; and

WHEREAS, older Americans play an instrumental role in defining our communities and their health and well-being benefits us all and makes for a successful and healthy town; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of Older Americans Month, the Town of Clayton and the Community and Senior Services of Johnston County will co-host activities at the Clayton Town Hall on Friday, May 18th, 2012, from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM, for the young at heart aged 55 and older.

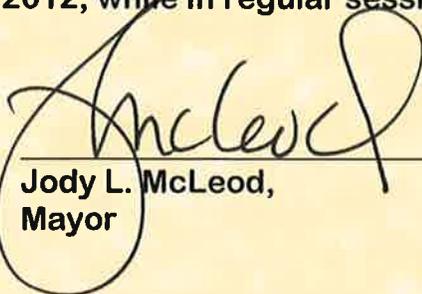
Now, therefore, let it be proclaimed by the Honorable Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Clayton that the month of May is recognized as:

“Older Americans Month”

Let it also be proclaimed that all citizens in the Clayton area are encouraged to join in this celebration.

Duly proclaimed this 7th day of May 2012, while in regular session.





Jody L. McLeod,
Mayor