

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Stevens County is a community that includes citizens age 55 and older; and

WHEREAS, the older adults in Stevens County are among our most "treasured resources" -- united by historical experiences, strengthened by diversity, and interpreting events through varied perspectives and backgrounds to bring wisdom and insight to our community; and

WHEREAS, increasing numbers of adults are reaching retirement age and remaining strong and active for longer than ever before; and

WHEREAS, the older adults in Stevens County deserve recognition for the contributions they have made and will continue to make to the culture, economy, and character of our community and our nation; and

WHEREAS, our community can provide that recognition and respect by improving the quality of life for older Americans by:

- Increasing their opportunities to remain active and engaged in community life;
- Providing individualized services and support systems to maintain the dignity, independence, and self-determination of older Americans as they age;
- Combating attitudes about aging by honoring their past, present, and future contributions.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the Board of County Commissioners of Stevens County, on behalf of the citizens of Stevens County, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2010 as

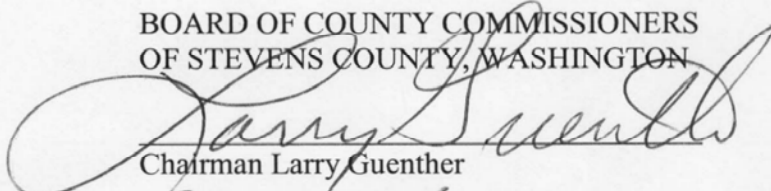
Older Americans Month

We urge every citizen to take time this month to honor our older adults and the professionals, family members, and volunteers who care for many of them. Our recognition and involvement of older Americans enriches our entire community's quality of life.

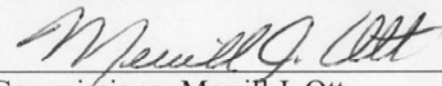
Passed by the Board of Stevens County Commissioners meeting in regular session at Colville, Washington, by the following vote, then signed by its membership and attested to by its Clerk in authorization of such passage the 3rd day of May, 2010.

3 YEA; 0 NAY; 0 ABSTAIN; and 0 ABSENT

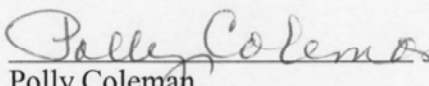
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ATTEST:


Polly Coleman
Clerk of the Board