

PROCLAMATION

Older Americans Month 2010 Age Strong! Live Long!

WHEREAS, THE BEXAR AREA AGENCY ON AGING OF THE ALAMO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS REPRESENTS COMMUNITIES IN WHICH OVER 300,000 CITIZENS, AGE 60 OR OLDER, MAKE THEIR HOME AND THESE CITIZENS OF TODAY AND TOMORROW PROMISE TO BE AMONG THE MOST ACTIVE AND ENGAGED OLDER ADULT POPULATION IN OUR NATION'S HISTORY; AND,

WHEREAS, SAN ANTONIO AND BEXAR COUNTY RECOGNIZE MAY AS THE OFFICIAL MONTH IN WHICH WE PAY TRIBUTE TO THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF OUR NATION'S OLDER AMERICANS; AND,

WHEREAS, THE NUMBER OF BABY BOOMERS REACHING TRADITIONAL RETIREMENT AGE CONTINUES TO INCREASE, AND IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THIS AND ALL U.S. COMMUNITIES TO WORK TOGETHER AND PREPARE FOR CHANGING OLDER ADULT POPULATIONS BY MODERNIZING SYSTEMS OF CARE AND PROVIDING CONSUMERS WITH MORE CONTROL OVER THEIR LIVES; AND,

WHEREAS, THE BEXAR AREA AGENCY ON AGING IN PROVIDING INDIVIDUALIZED SERVICES AND SUPPORT SYSTEMS TO MAINTAIN THE DIGNITY, INDEPENDENCE, AND SELF-DETERMINATION OF OLDER AMERICANS AS THEY AGE BY IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR OLDER AMERICANS AND INCREASING THEIR OPPORTUNITIES TO REMAIN ACTIVE AND ENGAGED IN COMMUNITY LIFE.

NOW THEREFORE, I, MAYOR, JULIAN CASTRO, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, IN RECOGNITION OF OLDER AMERICANS MONTH, DO HERBY PROCLAIM MAY 2010 TO BE "AGE STONG! LIVE LONG! MONTH IN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, AND COMMEND ALL THE COMMUNITY PROVIDERS, STAFF, FAMILY CAREGIVERS, AND VOLUNTEERS OF THE BEXAR AREA AGENCY ON AGING, FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO OUR OLDER AMERICANS; THEIR HARD WORK TRULY DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO THOSE WHOSE LIVES THEY TOUCH, ACROSS THE CITY AND COUNTY.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO TO BE AFFIXED THIS 28TH DAY OF APRIL 2010.
