



# KALAMAZOO COUNTY GOVERNMENT

In the Pursuit of Extraordinary Governance...

## Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners PROCLAMATION Elder Abuse Awareness Month: June 2022

WHEREAS, older adults deserve to be treated with respect and dignity as vital contributors to our community, serving as leaders, mentors, volunteers and more;

WHEREAS, in 2006, in support of the United Nations International Plan of Action, proclaimed a day to recognize the significance of elder abuse as a public health and human rights issue; and

WHEREAS, June 15, 2022, marks the 16th Annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day; its recognition promoting a better understanding of the impact of abuse and neglect of older adults; and

WHEREAS, the Kalamazoo County Area Agency on Aging, IIIA, along with the Kalamazoo County Elder Abuse Prevention Coalition recognize the importance of taking action to raise awareness, prevent and address elder abuse; and

WHEREAS, we as a community, have collective responsibility to understand and respond to the needs of all of our residents, including recognizing the importance of elder abuse prevention by promoting education and strengthening social supports for elders; and

WHEREAS, everywhere there is justice there can be no abuse, and it is up to all of us to ensure that proper social structures exist to engage all people, reducing the likelihood of abuse, isolation and ageism;

WHEREAS, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners does support Elder Abuse Awareness in Kalamazoo County during the month of June, 2022, and encourage all residents to recognize and celebrate older adults and their ongoing contributions to the success and vitality of Kalamazoo County.

Adopted: June 7, 2022

**Moved** Bruder-Melgar

**Seconded** Heppler

**Carried** Roll Call Vote: Yes (11): Bruder-Melgar, Gisler, Hall, Heppler, McKissack, Morales, Quinn, Rey, Shugars, Strebs, Tuinier; No (0): None; Absent (0): None

Dated: 6/8/2022



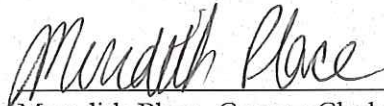
Mike Quinn, Chair  
Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF KALAMAZOO

I, Meredith Place, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of Kalamazoo County, Michigan (the "County") do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a proclamation adopted by the Board of Commissioners at a meeting held on June 7, 2022. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature this 8th day of June 2022.



Meredith Place, County Clerk  
Kalamazoo County