

Legislation Text

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Proclaiming and celebrating May 2015 as “Older Americans Month” to recognize the diversity and contributions that older Philadelphians have made and congratulating Ralston My Way for promoting long term strategies for safe, healthy living for older citizens in Philadelphia.

WHEREAS, May has been nationally designated as Older Americans Month since President John F. Kennedy first recognized it in 1963; and

WHEREAS, Germantown, Mt Airy, East and West Oak Lane includes a thriving community of older Americans who deserve recognition for their contributions and sacrifices to ensure a better life for future generations; and

WHEREAS, Ralston My Way is committed to helping all individuals live longer, healthier lives in the communities of their choice for as long as possible; and

WHEREAS, Since 1965, the Older Americans Act has provided services that help older adults remain healthy and independent by supporting some of life’s most basic functions, such as bathing or preparing meals; and

WHEREAS, Since 2010, Ralston My Way has provided affordable home care, transportation, home repairs and other nonmedical services to assist those 55 and over to live independently in their community; and

WHEREAS, Our community can provide opportunities to enrich the lives of individuals of all ages by promoting and engaging in activity, wellness, and social inclusion; emphasizing home- and community-based services that support independent living; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That it hereby proclaims May 2015 to be Older Americans Month and May 5, 2015 to be “Cinco de My Way” to celebrate older adults and the people who serve and support them as powerful and vital individuals who greatly contribute to the community.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to Ralston My Way as evidence of the sincere sentiments of this legislative body.