WHEREAS, older adults contribute every day to society, either through volunteering or through caring for family members, friends, or neighbors; and

WHEREAS, in the process of gaining insight and understanding, older adults can develop a set of mental and emotional strengths, generally known as “Wisdom,” a much needed trait in today’s world; and

WHEREAS, older adults are the fastest growing segment of the population of the United States, and the City of Columbia has a wide range of organizations that support a quality standard of living for all older adults; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia is fortunate to be the home of the University of Missouri’s Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (Osher@Mizzou), which provides noncredit classes and opportunities for educational and social engagement to more than 600 older adults each year; and

WHEREAS, older adults, young adults, children, and infants are all part of the same cycle of human growth;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brian Treece, Mayor of the City of Columbia, Missouri do hereby proclaim May 2020, as

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

in the City of Columbia, Missouri.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed hereto the seal of the City of Columbia, this 20th day of January, 2020.

Brian Treece, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sheela Amin, City Clerk