

*City of Manhattan Beach, California*

# Proclamation

## **OLDER AMERICANS MONTH MAY 2008**

*WHEREAS, Manhattan Beach is a community in which approximately 5,000 citizens 60 or older make their home; and*

*WHEREAS, older adults in Manhattan Beach and throughout the U.S. are a growing population with evolving needs; and*

*WHEREAS, older Americans are valuable members of our society who are rich with and deserving of our respect; and*

*WHEREAS, the number of baby boomers reaching traditional retirement age continues to increase, a fact that spotlights the need for increased attention to the needs of older adults; and*

*WHEREAS, our older citizens of today and tomorrow promise to be among the most active and engaged older adult populations in our Nation's history; and*

*WHEREAS, 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*

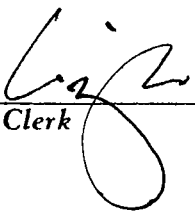
*WHEREAS, older persons are entitled to live lives of dignity and independence through: streamlined access to information and community services; information about cost-effective prevention practices and activities that will improve health and quality of life; and innovative and affordable options of care and support that will provide an array of choices about how and where to live.*

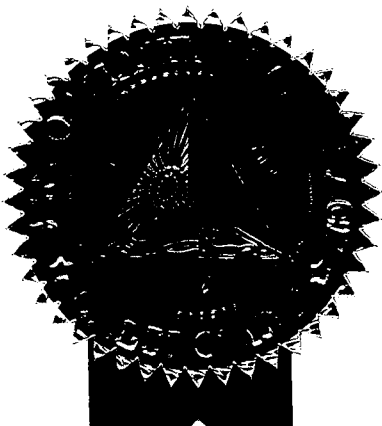
*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Manhattan Beach does hereby proclaim the Month of May, 2008 as*

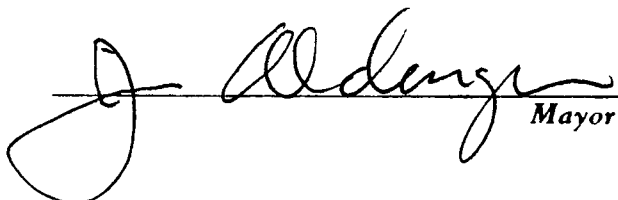
### **"OLDER AMERICANS MONTH"**

*and urge all citizens to take time this May to honor our older adults and the professionals, family members, and citizens who care for older adults. We urge all to promote and participate in activities that contribute to helping older Americans make choices for a healthy and rewarding future.*

*DATED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2008.*

  
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City Clerk



  
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Mayor