

**WHEREAS,** each year in May we take time to show our appreciation for the older adults in Sedgwick County. Older Americans Month is a tradition that shows our commitment to celebrating the contributions and achievements of older Americans; and

**WHEREAS,** Sedgwick County is committed to helping individuals maintain their health and independence in later life. Current trends show that people age 60 and older account for an ever-growing percentage of participants in community service positions, as well as arts and recreational groups; and

**WHEREAS,** the theme for Older Americans Month 2012 is “Never Too Old to Play!” which puts a spotlight on the important role older adults play in sharing their experiences, wisdom, understanding, and passing on that knowledge to other generations in a variety of significant ways; and

**WHEREAS,** Sedgwick County Department on Aging provides services, support, and resources to older adults year-round, and Older Americans Month is a great opportunity to show special appreciation for some of our most beloved citizens.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that I, Tim Norton, Chairman of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim May 2012 as

**“OLDER AMERICANS MONTH.”**

May 23, 2012