

# Whereas

*Whereas,* May 2015 is national Older Americans Month, and this year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Older Americans Act; and

*Whereas,* this year's theme is "Get into the Act", recognizing older adults who are taking charge of their health and being active members of their communities; and

*Whereas,* Metro projects that, between 2010 and 2030, older adults in the region will increase by over 100%; and

*Whereas,* the City's Age-Friendly Portland Action Plan focuses on improving the engagement of older adults by fostering meaningful civic involvement; and

*Whereas,* the City works with Elders in Action and Multnomah County to enhance the lives of older adults in our region; and

*Whereas,* the City contributes to the vitality of older Americans through partnerships with Portland Parks and Recreation, Loaves and Fishes, and Senior Recreation Centers;

*Now, therefore,* I, Charlie Hales, Mayor of the City of Portland, Oregon, the "City of Roses," do hereby proclaim the month of May 2015 to be

*Older Americans Month*

in Portland, and encourage all residents to observe this month.

*Charlie Hales*

