



Proclamation of the Camden County Board of Commissioners In Recognition of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

WHEREAS: Older adults deserve to be treated with respect and dignity to enable them to serve as

leaders, mentors, volunteers and vital participating members of our communities; and

WHEREAS: In 2006, the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, in support of

the United Nations International Plan of Action, proclaimed a day to recognize the

significance of elder abuse as a public health and human rights issue; and

WHEREAS: 2025 marks the 19th Annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. Its recognition will

promote a better understanding of abuse and neglect of older adults; and

WHEREAS: The National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA), Albemarle Commission Area Agency

on Aging and Camden County recognize the importance of taking action to raise

awareness, prevent and address elder abuse; and

WHEREAS: As our population lives longer, we are presented with an opportunity to think about

our collective needs and future as a nation; and

WHEREAS: Ageism and social isolation are major causes of elder abuse in the United States; and

WHEREAS: Recognizing that it is up to all of us to ensure that proper social structures exist so

people can retain community and societal connections, reducing the likelihood of

abuse; and

WHEREAS: Preventing abuse of older adults through maintaining and improving social supports

like senior centers, human services and transportation will allow everyone to continue to live as independently as possible and contribute to the life and vibrancy of our

communities; and

WHEREAS: Where there is justice there can be no abuse; therefore, NCEA urges

all people to restore justice by honoring older adults. Join us in our engaging and

empowering movement, putting an end to abuse.

THEREFORE, the Camden County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims June 15, 2025 as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in Camden County and encourages all of our communities to recognize and celebrate older adults and their ongoing contributions to the success and vitality of our community and country.

This the 2nd day of June 2025.

Camden County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Karen M. Davis, NCMCC

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners