

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SONORA  
PROCLAIMING JUNE 15, 2019 AS ELDER 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, 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, 2019 marks the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. Its recognition will encourage all of our communities to recognize and celebrate older adults and their ongoing contribution to the success and vitality of our country; 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 independently as possible and contribute to the life and vibrancy of our communities; and
- Whereas, County of Tuolumne District Attorney, Laura Krieg, and the District Attorney Elder Abuse Advocacy Program recognize the importance of taking action and raising public awareness by collaborating with Black Oak Casino Resort, Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians Elders Program, Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Social Services Department, Mother Lode Office of Catholic Charities, Area 12 Agency on Aging, Tuolumne County Behavioral Health, and Tuolumne County Adult Protective Services to sponsor the Elder Empowerment Conference on June 12, 2019 at the Hotel & Conference Center at Black Oak Casino Resort.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Sonora does hereby proclaim the day of June 15, 2019 to be Elder Awareness Day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June of the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

James M. Garaventa, Mayor

Attest \_\_\_\_\_

Colette Such, City Clerk Pro-Tem