

# The County of Centre

## PROCLAMATION

NUMBER 19 OF 2017

**WHEREAS**, numerous research studies have shown that educational and social opportunities positively enhance the well-being of mature adults; and,

**WHEREAS**, in 1997, a volunteer non-profit organization, now known as the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), was founded to provide educational and social programs for mature adults in Centre County; and,

**WHEREAS**, OLLI has grown from 39 courses with 457 enrollees in 1997 to 315 courses with 5,849 enrollees in 2016; and,

**WHEREAS**, in 2015 OLLI formally joined with The Pennsylvania State University to become OLLI at Penn State, although OLLI remains volunteer- and member-driven; and

**WHEREAS**, OLLI has succeeded in providing educational, cultural, social and volunteer experiences for thousands of mature and adults to enhance and enrich their lives, thus making Centre County a better place to live; and

**WHEREAS**, increasing numbers of mature adults retire and relocate to Centre County, OLLI will become an even more integral county asset in the years ahead;

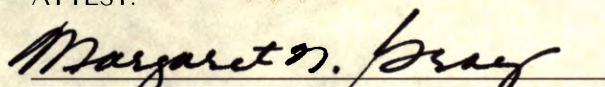
**WHEREAS**, the Centre County Board of Commissioners has held a Day in the Life of the Commissioners to educate the senior members of our community about the importance of county government;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that on the occasion of OLLI's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Centre County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim **May 18, 2017** as "**OLLI Appreciation Day**" in Centre County and encourages its mature residents to take advantage of the educational and social opportunities that OLLI provides.

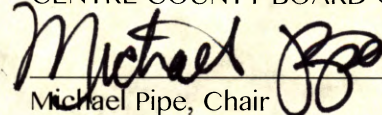
**ADOPTED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 2017.



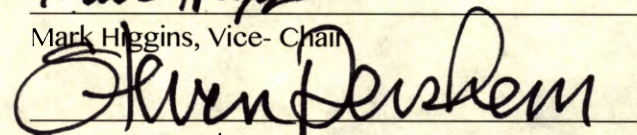
ATTEST:

  
Margaret N. Gray, Administrator/Chief Clerk

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