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## Memorandum

To:

All House Members

From:

Representative Stephen Kinsey

Re:

Recognizing the Month of May 2015, as "Older Americans: Get into the Act

Month" in Pennsylvania

Date:

March 10, 2015

In the near future, I will be introducing a resolution recognizing the month of May 2015, as "Older Americans: Get into the Act Month" in Pennsylvania.

As many of you may know, the number of people reaching retirement age is expected to double by the year 2030. The number of senior citizens in rural Pennsylvania is also projected to increase 58% through 2030. Senior citizens are the pillars upon which our families have been built and are productive, active and influential members of society. They often have a positive impact on the lives of others through the experiences and knowledge they share.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Older Americans Act, signed into law by President Lyndon Johnson in 1965. The Older Americans Act continues to provide a nationwide aging services network and funding that helps older adults live with dignity in the communities of their choice for as long as possible. Senior citizens within the Commonwealth deserve recognition for the contributions they have made and continue to make to culture, economy and character of Pennsylvania. Communities throughout the state can help improve the quality of life for older Americans by increasing their opportunities to remain active and involved.

Please consider joining me in Recognizing the Month of May 2015, as "Older Americans: Get into the Act Month" in Pennsylvania.