

# #ChathamLovesSeniors Classroom Proclamation Kit



Have your students work together to create their own classroom “We Love Seniors” proclamation in the style of the proclamation issued by the Chatham County Board of Commissioners (as seen on the next page).

*([This booklet](#) from the National Association of Counties can be a helpful resource for learning about how county government works and what commissioners are, especially page 5.)*

Read the official Chatham County proclamation together with your students, helping them understand any unfamiliar terms.

Have students work together to come up with their own reasons they would like to name February 2021 as “We Love Seniors Month.”

Fill out the resolution template with your students, making sure to have each of your students sign it to make it “official.”



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**Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners**

**Proclaiming February 2021 as We Love Seniors Month**

Living through the COVID-19 pandemic has made us all even more appreciative of the importance of community and connectedness. Because older adults are especially vulnerable to the coronavirus, many have been forced to remain physically distanced from family, friends, and neighbors. They have responded well to Public Health's call to "ShareLoveNotCOVID."

February has traditionally been the month when the Chatham County Board of Commissioners has proclaimed clearly and profoundly "We Love Seniors." The year 2021 is no exception. In fact, this year we wish to say it even more emphatically.

Throughout our county's 250-year history, older adults have contributed significantly to the Chatham we all love. They are our living history and remain vital to our present and future. We owe our seniors great admiration and appreciation.

Persons aged 60 and older are a major part of Chatham County – composing about a third of Chatham residents as of 2018. Seniors are among our family members, friends, neighbors, co-workers, community leaders, fellow parishioners, volunteers, and caregivers.

The Chatham County Council on Aging is using the spirit of Valentine's Day in February to recognize and value the talents, resourcefulness, imagination, and dedication of our growing older population. The Chatham County Board of Commissioners joins the Council on Aging in thanking the community for its help in ensuring we remain a place in which older people can live safely and with dignity and can stay actively and productively engaged.

**Now, therefore, we, the Chatham County Board of Commissioners—to honor our older residents and the work of our Council on Aging—do hereby proclaim February 2021 as *We Love Seniors Month* in Chatham County and commend this observance to all.**

Adopted, this the 19 day of January, 2021.

Mike Dasher, Chair  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Lindsay K. Ray, NCCCC, Clerk to the Board  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners





Resolution of \_\_\_\_\_'s \_\_\_\_\_grade class

Proclaiming February 2021 as “We Love Seniors” Month

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Therefore, we students of \_\_\_\_\_'s \_\_\_\_\_grade class, to honor our older citizens, do hereby proclaim February 2021 as “We Love Seniors” month in our classroom.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of February 2021.

(Students and teacher sign below.)

