



**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING AND OBSERVING  
JUNE 15, 2011  
AS WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY**

**WHEREAS Sumter County seniors are valued members of society and it is our collective responsibility to ensure they live safely and with dignity; and**

**WHEREAS abuse of older people is a tragedy inflicted on vulnerable seniors, an ever-increasing problem in today's society that crosses all socio-economic boundaries; and**

**WHEREAS combating abuse of older people will help improve the quality of life for all seniors across this country and will allow seniors to continue to live as independently as possible and contribute to the life and vibrancy of Sumter County; and**

**WHEREAS Sumter County seniors are guaranteed that they will be treated with respect and dignity to enable them to continue to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers and as important and active members of this community; and**

**WHEREAS we are all responsible for building safer communities for Sumter County seniors; and**

**WHEREAS the well-being of Sumter County seniors is in the interest of all and further adds to the well-being of Sumter County;**

**DULY PROCLAIMED** this 14th day of June, 2011

Attest:

Board of County Commissioners  
Sumter County, Florida

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Connie Webb, Deputy Clerk

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Don Burgess, Chairman