

# Proclamation

## ***Long-Term Care Residents' Rights Month October 2020***

- WHEREAS, 10 nursing homes and 32 assisted living facilities are licensed to operate in Carroll County, serving more than 2,000 residents per year; and
- WHEREAS, the federal Nursing Home Reform Act of 1987 guarantees residents their individual rights in order to promote and maintain their dignity and autonomy; and
- WHEREAS, all residents should be aware of their rights so they may be empowered to live with dignity and self-determination; and
- WHEREAS, we wish to celebrate these citizens, honor their individuality and reaffirm their rights, which include the right to have a say in their care, the right to visitation, the right to privacy, the right to complain and the right to make independent choices; and
- WHEREAS, individuals and groups across the country will be celebrating Residents' Rights Month with the theme "Connection Matters" to emphasize connections to family, friends and the community as an essential component of good health and quality of life for long-term care residents.

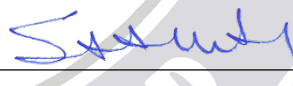
NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE BOARD OF CARROLL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, do hereby proclaim October 2020 to be:

## ***Long-Term Care Residents' Rights Month***

in CARROLL COUNTY. We urge every resident to take time during this month to acknowledge long-term care residents and the people who care for them for their valuable contribution to our community.

Adopted this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2020

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY



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