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Employ Older Workers Week

California is home to nearly six million residents age 65 or older who enrich our communities through their diverse life experiences, cultures and histories. Over the next decade, California's statewide senior population will increase by four million, and in 25 years it will double.

Older Californians are woven into the fabric of today's workforce and continue to influence and inspire younger generations of workers. Their many years of dedicated service have helped California grow to the world's fifth largest economy.

As the Golden State continues to get grayer, I am committed to achieving a person-centered, age-friendly California that uplifts and advances older adults and adults with disabilities. To this end, I signed Executive Order N-14-19 directing my Administration to work in close collaboration with a broad array of stakeholders, including local communities, health care providers, health plans, employers, foundations, academia and labor, to develop a Master Plan for Aging that will promote healthy aging and prepare the state for the coming demographic changes.

This week, I call on all Californians to join me in recognizing the talent, experience and dedication of older workers and their contributions to California's diverse, dynamic and inclusive workforce.

Sincerely,

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Governor of the State of California