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Dear Dr. Warth,

On behalf of South Dublin County I wish to apply to the World Health Organisation for affiliation to your Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities.

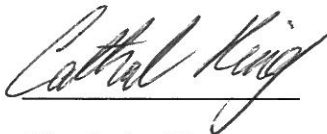
Under the auspices of Ireland's National Age Friendly Counties Programme, I can confirm that South Dublin County has been working towards becoming an Age Friendly County over the last year. We have now achieved the following objectives in order to establish our County as Age Friendly:

- An Age Friendly Alliance has been formed, chaired by the County Manager, comprising senior decision makers from the key public, private and not-for-profit agencies involved in providing supports and services to older people including the Local Authority, Local Development Companies, the HSE, An Garda Síochána and the Community and Voluntary sector.
- We have carried out a comprehensive, County-wide consultation process with older people in our County to listen to the issues that really matter to them and the things they would like to see change in their county, making it a better place to grow older.

- Following this extensive consultation with older people, service providers and others, we have developed our Age Friendly County Strategy. This document contains specific commitments by agencies, service providers and older people's organisations and reflects the priorities expressed by older people in the consultation process.
- With these solid foundations for the Programme now in place, we have held a public launch, letting the people of South Dublin County know that we are Age Friendly, and we have now moved into implementation phase.

I trust that this application is in order and look forward to hearing from you in the near future with confirmation of our affiliation.

Yours sincerely,

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Cllr. Cathal King

Mayor of South Dublin County