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Attachment

Form application membership Age Friendly City

Subject

Application membership Age Friendly Cities

Dear Sir/Madam,

With this letter I'd like to submit the Amsterdam application to become a member city of the age friendly city initiative. I am one of the vice mayors of Amsterdam and responsible for the elderly in the city of Amsterdam. I have spoken with my colleagues and Mayor about this application and have their full support in applying for the membership of the age friendly cities network. The demographic changes that face my city need to be dealt with in the best possible manner. We believe the Age friendly cities network and becoming an Age friendly city ourselves will be the best way to tackle the demographic changes facing us.

It is thus with pleasure that I hereby confirm our commitment to become a member of WHO's network of Age friendly cities and communities and in the process become a truly age friendly city. In our planning and application process to become a member we have familiarized ourselves with and agree with the values and principles of the WHO European policy framework Health 2020, the Strategy and action plan on health ageing in Europe, 2012-2020 and the WHO Age-friendly Cities approach. It is our intention to implement age friendly initiatives in our short- and long term policies in accordance with the areas identified by the Age-friendly Cities project.

We look forward to sharing information and experiences with the other members in the Global network. We have identified contact persons within our administration who will follow up the commitments of the membership.

With the highest regards,

Eric van der Burg

Vice mayor elderly, public health and spatial planning

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