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Administration Support Team,  
Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities,  
World Health Organisation

**RE: WHO GLOBAL NETWORK OF AGE-FRIENDLY CITIES AND COMMUNITIES**

I am writing in support of the application for the District Council of Barunga West to join the WHO Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities.

The District Council of Barunga West is located on the northern tip of the Yorke Peninsula, in the Mid- North of South Australia, with its southern-most boundary some 120 kilometres north of the capital city, Adelaide. The major townships of the Council area are Port Broughton, Bute & Fisherman Bay. The main industries in the District are agriculture, aged-care, recreational and commercial fishing, and tourism.

According to the last Census data, the District population is 2,456. The median age of the population of the District Council of Barunga West is 51, compared to the State average of 39 and national average of 37. People aged 60 years and over make up 35.78% of the population. The increased average age of the population is always a consideration by Council in its planning for the future.

The Council has endorsed this application to the Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities and has committed to work towards a process of continuous improvement in its support of all ages within the community.

We look forward to learning from the network and sharing our experiences in supporting an age-friendly community.

Yours faithfully

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