## The City of Suwon Resolution to Promote Age-friendly City

To : WHO Secretary General

FROM: Officer-in-Charge of the WHO Global Network of Age-Friendly

Cities

DATE: March 25, 2016

RE: The City of Suwon will complete by May 30, 2016 a research as presented hereunder for age-friendly policy-making to build up the foundation of an age-friendly city and to enable the aged citizens to live a stable and comfortable life, and we hereby commit to faithfully implement the resulting policies.

## **Research Outlines**

- 1. Research Title: Planning research to build up a foundation for age-friendly city
- 2. Research Period: April 1, 2015 March 30, 2016 (12 Months)
- 3. Research Purpose: To make a plan to shape municipal environment which will enable all citizens of Suwon including the aged people to live a sound and safe life and to freely participate socio-economically.

## 4. Research Results:

(1) The current situation of Suwon is examined regarding the current state, aged population policy, aged people's needs, and age-friendliness, and then SWOT analysis was carried out on age-friendliness.

- (2) The SWOT analysis results serve as the guide to the setting of the strategy and goal of Suwon's becoming an age-friendly city, and thus to choosing age-friendly projects that befit the City of Suwon.
- (3) Age-friendly City of Suwon is defined as "the city where people pursue physical, mental, and social vitality in line with life cycle with opportunities provided for participation, communication, and enjoying for the purpose of enhancing life quality as they advance in age."
- (4) The City of Suwon starts the promotion of age-friendly city with the vision of "Vitalizing human-centered greater Suwon where there are participating, communication, and enjoying!"
- (5) The promotion of age-friendly Suwon has 3 major goals (To make the future environment anticipating retirement, to make healthy and active living environment, and to make environment for social integrity and income creation) and 6 major areas classification.
- (6) With the aforementioned vision and goals, we selected 6 major project areas: 1) seclusion plan for the second chapter of life, 2) environment for active living, 3) healthy aged period, 4) aged people with vitality, 5) social respect and generational harmony, and 6) stable employment of the aged.
- 5. For the evaluation of the selected projects according to the research results, the monitoring indices for each project areas are designed for the policy evaluation by citizen participation in which the city, citizens and specialists cooperate.
- 6. The evaluation of policies mainly focused on new aged people policy

suggestion through an evaluation of the aged people policy progression and achievements, while the purpose of policy evaluation was to be used as an institutional device for the enhancement of policy experience level and policy quality through an evaluation of the compliance status of the policy plan and the promotion progression.

- 7. The policy evaluation with citizen participation will be carried out in December each year by organizing "Age-Friendly City Evaluation Committee" to comprehensively evaluate the city's project achievements, policy experience level, and monitoring results.
- 8. The City of Suwon has consistently endeavored to be an age-friendly city from the past, and it will pour continuous efforts in the future as well, and for this purpose the research has been commissioned.

The City of Suwon hereby promises to commit our best to be born again as an age-friendly city.

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