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November 22, 2016

World Health Organization
Age-Friendly City – Application Review Committee
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Dear Application Review Committee:

On behalf of the City of Mountain View and the City Council, I am pleased to support the City's application to the World Health Organization to be designated as an Age-Friendly City. The City is committed to assessing and improving our community and to adapt policies, settings, structures, and services to be accessible to, and inclusive of, an older population.

As of 2013, it is estimated that 10.3 percent of the population in Mountain View was 65 years and older. That number, according to the American Community Survey, is expected to increase by 24 percent between 2015 and 2030 for cities located in Santa Clara County, California. We, as a City, are committed to the following:

- Developing a baseline assessment of the eight domains:
 - Outdoor spaces and buildings;
 - Transportation;
 - Housing;
 - Social participation;
 - Respect and social inclusion;
 - Civic participation and employment;
 - Communication and information; and
 - Community support and health services.

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- Development of a three-year, Citywide action plan based on the findings of the assessment.
- Identification of indicators to monitor progress against this plan.

Our Senior Advisory Committee has championed the basic characteristics of an Age-Friendly City since their inception in 2009. Through the World Health Organization and acceptance into the Global Network, we look forward to developing a stronger framework to provide our older population an opportunity to live more rewarding and productive lives.

Thank you for consideration of our application. We look forward to the opportunity to become an Age-Friendly City and join the Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities around the world.

Sincerely,

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Patricia Showalter

Mayor

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