

August 8, 2017

Mariann Muzzi Associate State Director Community Outreach AARP Wisconsin 222 West Washington Ave., Suite 600 Madison, WI 53703

Dear Ms. Muzzi:

On behalf of the City of Sheboygan, I am pleased to offer this letter of the City's ongoing support to creating an age-friendly environment and respectively request membership to the World Health Organization's and AARP's Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities Initiative. Along with other selected communities in the nation, Sheboygan is committed to promoting policies to make American cities friendly to all populations including an aging population.

In preparing for the growing aging population, the City plans to advance public and aging policy goals within the World Health Organization's eight established domains.

The City has already adapted several of its goals to match these domains. In 2017, the Common Council approved its Strategic Plan which included an Objective to "ensure that open space, recreation facilities, and programs are designed to meet the needs of all residents, including senior citizens and disabled".

The City and its staff look forward to working with AARP Wisconsin Office.

Sincerely, 5

Michael Vandersteen

Mayor

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