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World Health Organization  
20 Avenue Appia  
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Dear World Health Organization staff,

On behalf of the City of Gilroy, CA, we are pleased to offer this letter expressing our commitment to creating an Age-Friendly City and respectfully request membership to the World Health Organization's Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities.

The City of Gilroy recognizes the importance of encouraging and promoting age-friendly planning and policies to address our changing demographics and to enhance independent living. Like our fellow Santa Clara County municipalities, we are committed to a process of continual improvement to support active and healthy aging and sustain economic and social vitality. As a participant in the national network of communities, it is the intent of the City of Gilroy to:

1. Develop a three-year action plan based on the findings of the assessment, which displayed a need for more sufficient senior-friendly transportation, housing, and social groups.
2. Finally, Identify indicators so progress can be monitored against the action plan. The Gilroy Senior Center Advisory Board is planning to integrate the age-friendly topic into their monthly meetings and develop a plan to monitor its progress.

We look forward to joining this global network of communities, and we thank you for your consideration of the City of Gilroy's membership to the World Health Organization's Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities.

Sincerely,

Mayor Roland Velasco  
City of Gilroy, California