



GUILFORD COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

P.O. Box 3427
GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA 27402

April 5, 2018

Dear Mr. Dickerson,

On behalf of Guilford County and as Chairman of the Guilford County Board of Commissioners I am pleased to provide this letter of support and commitment to participate in the World Health Organization's Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities which is being coordinated nationally by AARP and spearheaded locally in conjunction with Senior Resources of Guilford and the Guilford County Senior Services Roundtable. At a work session on Monday, March 19, 2018 the Guilford County Commissioners voted unanimously to support this local planning process and request participation in the network.

Our County recognizes the importance of encouraging and promoting age-friendly planning and policies to address the changing demographics which enhance independent living for all. Our County is committed to a process of continual improvements which support active and healthy aging and provides a sustained economic and social foundation. We believe this process will allow our County to build on its strong foundation of making Guilford County a great place to call home.

By providing support for this project we recognize we are enabling organizations such as Senior Resources of Guilford, members of the Guilford County Senior Services Roundtable and other organizations in the County in conjunction with the local AARP staff and volunteers to move forward with addressing the eight domains as identified by the World Health Organization that helps to influence the health and quality of life for all as they age in our community. It is our understanding that the task force plans to focus on two initial areas for impact-housing in the greater Greensboro community and food insecurity in the greater High Point area.

On behalf of the Guilford County Board of Commissioners and the individuals we represent thank you for accepting our request to join the World Health Organization's Global Network of Age-Friendly Communities. We look forward to our next steps and this opportunity to work in partnership with your organization.

Sincerely,

J. Alan Branson
Chairman
Guilford County Board of Commissioners