



25 April 2019

Secretariat

WHO Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities

Dear Sir / Madam,

**Application for the membership of
WHO Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities**

As the Chairman of the Kowloon City District Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China (HKSAR), I would like to submit this letter of support for our District to be considered by the World Health Organisation (WHO) to become a member of the WHO Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities.

The Kowloon City District is one of the districts of the HKSAR. We care about our citizens and especially our elderly citizens and has endeavoured to promote age-friendliness across the community. Throughout the years, we have worked very closely with various stakeholders in the District, including government departments, non-governmental organisations and local organisations, to provide the elders with quality services and to organise diversified activities to keep them actively engaged in the community. With the support of the Hong Kong Jockey Club and the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, baseline assessment of age-friendliness of the Kowloon City District was conducted. The findings of the baseline report provides us with the insight in identifying areas of improvement and actions to be taken to respond the needs of our senior citizens in the district in the long term.

The Kowloon City District Council is committed to promoting the age-friendly environment in the community. With the opportunity of joining the WHO Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities, we are confident that the mission of building a age-friendly community in our District will be further strengthened.

We look forward to joining the WHO and becoming a member of the WHO Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the Chinese characters '潘國華' (Pan Kwok-wah), written in a cursive style.

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Dear Sir / Madam,

**The application of Kowloon City District Council to be a member of
the WHO Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities**

As the District Social Welfare Officer of Kowloon City and Yau Tsim Mong District of the Social Welfare Department in Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, I would like to give my support to the Kowloon City District Council in their application for being a member of the World Health Organization (WHO) Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities.

Our Social Welfare Department all along shows great care and concern to our senior citizens through various possible means, including promotion of neighbourhood support and social inclusion in our annual district work plans, as well as working with all local stakeholders to deliver quality welfare services to meet the needs of our senior citizens, and at the same time to involve their participation and develop their potential in every facet of their lives.

Gearing towards the mission of building an age-friendly community, we will continue to work closely with our partner, the Kowloon City District Council, to implement various related initiatives in a persistent manner.

Yours faithfully,

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District Social Welfare Officer
(Kowloon City/Yau Tsim Mong)
Social Welfare Department

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Chairman / Kowloon City District Council