



THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

MAYOR DOMENIC J. SARNO

HOME OF THE BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME

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State Director Michael Festa
AARP Massachusetts
1 Beacon Street, Suite 2301
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Dear Mr. Festa,

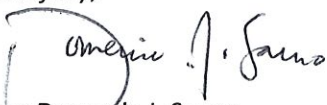
On behalf of the City of Springfield and the Department of Elder Affairs/COA, I am pleased to submit this letter and application requesting membership in the AARP WHO Global Network of Age Friendly Communities.

The City of Springfield has always been one that commits to its residents to be a great place to live, work, grow and age well. Being as diverse as we are, we celebrate our cultures and embrace our residents who come here with many gifts to share. We remain ever-vigilant in our policy-making and programming so that all of our community members have equal access to affordable, safe and convenient services.

As we continue to address the many challenges that face not only our community but the entire region, we work on behalf of our older residents to ensure we are listening to the voices that helped build this great city. We are committed to expanding existing policies, improving our infrastructure, and empowering our community members. I believe becoming an Age Friendly Community will greatly increase the visibility of these efforts.

We are excited to become a part of this wonderful global community, and hope you will look upon our application favorably. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,


Mayor Domenic J. Sarno

God Bless,