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Dear Sir/Madam

World Health Organisation (WHO) Global Age-Friendly Communities Network

It is with great pleasure that the City of Wanneroo (the City) is applying to become a member of the WHO Global Network of Age Friendly Cities and Communities.

The City of Wanneroo remains one of the largest growing local government authorities in Australia with our population forecast to grow from approximately 212,000 in 2018 to more than 400,000 by 2040.

By 2021, 21% of Western Australia's population will be aged 60 years and over. Our City will undergo considerable growth in this demographic with our population of residents aged 65 years and over expected to increase by 80% to 26,870 over the next two decades.

The City has been working towards becoming an age-friendly city since September 2017 with the development and adoption of its Age-Friendly Strategy.

The goals and associated actions in the Strategy are based on the WHO domains which are identified as being essential to the development of a successful age-friendly city. Key to the development of the strategy was an extensive community engagement process with approximately 450 seniors and stakeholders.

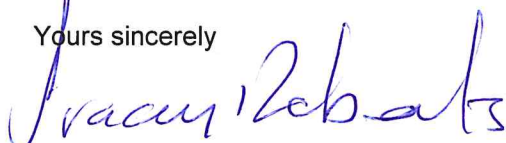
We are committed to building a city that is safe and inclusive with opportunities for older people to maintain a good quality of life and access ongoing services as they age.

By joining the WHO Global Network the City will acknowledge and contribute to the following commitments:

- Engage and include the community in the development and implementation of activities, services and future strategies or plans
- Collaborate with other Local Governments to deliver a regional approach to an age-friendly community
- Contribute and gain valuable support through exchanging experiences and sharing mutual learning between cities and communities worldwide.

The City looks forward to joining the WHO Global Age-Friendly Network and sharing our experiences in supporting an age-friendly community.

Yours sincerely



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