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AARP Minnesota State Director  
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Saint Paul, Minnesota 55104

Dear Mr. Phillips:

On behalf of Olmsted County, I am pleased to express our ongoing commitment to creating an age-friendly community and to respectfully request membership in the World Health Organization's Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities.

Olmsted County recognizes the importance of encouraging and promoting age-friendly planning and policies to address changing demographics and to enhance independent living. We are committed to a process of continual improvement to support active and healthy aging.

Olmsted County is well-positioned to elevate local age-friendly issues and support community responses where needs, opportunities, and assets warrant them. Our 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan provide a strong framework for assessment and action with regard to the World Health Organization's eight domains that influence the health and quality of life of older adults. Additionally, a major multi-billion dollar economic development initiative underway in Olmsted County means planning and implementation comes during a time when an age-friendly lens can be brought to significant transformations of our economic and social infrastructure.

Thank you for your consideration of membership for Olmsted County in the World Health Organization's Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities.

Sincerely,  
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