

December 2022

WHO Headquarters in Geneva

ATTN: WHO Global Network for Age-Friendly Cities and Communities

RE: A letter of Accreditation of WHO Global Network for Age-Friendly Cities and Communities

Dear Sir/Madam:

It is my pleasure to represent our support to WHO Global Network for Age-Friendly Cities and Communities. The World Health Organization(WHO) has conceptualized an aging-friendly city in 2007, actively prepared for an aging society, and has formed a global network to promote various information exchanges and sharing.

Seogu, Busan, already entered the super-aged society with more than 20% of the elderly in 2015, and as of August 2022, the elderly population in Seogu, Busan accounted for 26.5% of the total, with 28,013 out of the total 105,386.

Seogu, Busan, joined the “WHO Senior-Friendly City Global Network“ to promote policies to create a “happy city“ where citizens enjoy healthy and active lives along with elderly-friendly cities. Therefore, recognizing the need for policy and social support for the elderly, as a prerequisite, it is necessary to

realize a city where the elderly can live well by joining the WHO-friendly city. The main purpose of Busan Seogu joining the WHO's aging-friendly city is to establish an urban environment that is good for the elderly to live in response to the super-aged society.

Seogu wishes to share these efforts with other member cities & communities at the WHO Global Network and to cooperate together to create age-friendly cities with higher quality.

It is hoped that a closer relationship will be formed between the WHO Global Network of Age-friendly cities & communities and Seogu.

Yours Sincerely

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