



City of
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World Health Organization (WHO)
Global Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities
Geneva, Switzerland

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Letter of Support for City of Richmond Application to WHO Global Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities

The World Health Organization Global Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities represents an opportunity for the City of Richmond to join an international movement, along with other cities around the world, to create age-friendly communities that are inclusive, accessible and foster belonging for residents of all ages.

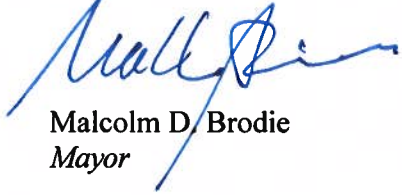
The City of Richmond has a long-standing commitment to planning for seniors' well-being, with the City's first *Older Adults Service Plan* adopted by Council in 2008. In 2015, Richmond was formally recognized as an Age-Friendly BC Community by the Province of British Columbia (Canada), reflecting the City's ongoing commitment to supporting seniors' well-being through City planning and service delivery. Richmond's age-friendly planning approach continues to be guided by the Council-adopted *Richmond Seniors Strategy (2022–2032)*, the City's current plan with the vision that "seniors living in Richmond are safe, respected, healthy and engaged in their communities."

Through collaborative action with community non-profit organizations, the local health authority and cross-sectoral partnerships, the City continues to improve age-friendliness across the World Health Organization's eight domains of age-friendly communities. Central to this work is the ongoing engagement of seniors through the Richmond Seniors Advisory Committee, an advisory committee to City Council, and through the implementation of Age-Friendly Neighbourhood Groups that engage seniors in neighbourhood-level planning across the city.

Given that seniors currently make up 35 per cent of Richmond's population and are the fastest growing demographic, the City of Richmond is committed to sustaining age-friendly efforts to build a community that is inclusive, accessible and socially connected for all seniors.

I am pleased to support the City of Richmond's application for membership to the World Health Organization Global Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities and re-affirm the City's commitment to becoming a more age-friendly community.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Malcolm D. Brodie".

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