December 16, 2021

Ms. Kay Sibetta  
AARP Georgia Associate State Director  
999 Peachtree Street, NE  
Suite 1110  
Atlanta, GA 30309

Re: AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities: Membership Application

Dear Ms. Sibetta,

The City of Columbus, Georgia is excited for the opportunity to join the network of AARP Georgia and the World Health Organization (WHO) in becoming an Age-Friendly Community. Like our peer communities across the nation, the City of Columbus is committed to promoting policies that will make our city friendly to all persons, including older adults.

The City of Columbus recognizes the needs of our aging population and the need to improve the quality of life for all residents regardless of age. Columbus has a long history of ensuring that the aging community has access to necessary services, is valued and able to contribute to civic life, and lives within a suitable environment that strongly supports them to remain healthy and age safely, with purpose and dignity.

Therefore, we see great value in the AARP Network and I am excited to begin establishing the City of Columbus as an Age-Friendly city. My administration is committed to advancing public and aging policy goals within AARP and the World Health Organization's established domains.

We look forward to working with our community collaborative and other stakeholders to ensure that we are meeting the needs of our community. I have no doubt that the City of Columbus will continue to grow as an exceptional example of Age-Friendliness for people all ages.

Sincerely,

B.H. “Skip” Henderson  
Mayor