June 14, 2021

Lori Parham  
AARP Maine State Director  
53 Baster Blvd  
Portland ME 04101

Dear Ms. Parham,

On behalf of the Town of Fort Kent, I am pleased to submit this letter of interest and commitment in the AARP/World Health Organization Network of Age-Friendly Communities. Fort Kent recognizes the importance of encouraging and promoting age-friendly planning and policies to address changing demographics and to enhance independent living and is committed to a process of continual improvement to support active and healthy aging. As part of our involvement and commitment we will conduct a base assessment of the community’s age-friendliness and develop a community action plan based on the findings of the assessment. We will involve older residents deeply in the planning process and we commit to monitoring progress toward implementing the action plan.

Sincerely,

Jacob Robichaud  
Council Chair
RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN MANAGER AND TOWN COUNCIL OF FORT KENT, MAINE,
SUPPORTING THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION GLOBAL NETWORK OF AGE-FRIENDLY CITIES AND COMMUNITIES PROGRAM AND APPROVING THE TOWN OF FORT KENT’S ENROLLMENT INTO THE AARP AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities is an affiliate of the World Health Organization’s (WHO) Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities, an international effort launched in 2006 to help cities prepare for rapid population in aging and the parallel trend of urbanization; and

WHEREAS, the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities (the Network) helps participating communities become great places for all ages by adopting such features as: safe, walkable streets; better housing and transportation options; access to key services; and opportunities for residents to participate in community activities; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of joining the Network include, but are not limited to: access to key information about best practices among age-friendly communities; access to a global network or participating communities; and public recognition of the Town of Fort Kent’s commitment to become more age-friendly; and

WHEREAS, well-designed, livable communities promote health and sustain economic growth, and they make for happier, healthier residents of all ages; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN MANAGER AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT KENT, MAINE, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made a part hereof by this reference. Res. No. 18-136 Page 2 of 3

Section 2. Approval. The Mayor and City Council-members support initiatives and opportunities of the World Health Organization Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities and the City of Doral’s enrollment in the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities.

Section 3. Authorization. The City Manager is hereby authorized to take all steps necessary to implement the intent and purpose of this Resolution.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption. Res. No. 18-136

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Councilor Carroll Theriault who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilor Andrew Caron and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

JACOB ROBICHAUD, COUNCIL CHAIR      YES
CARROLL THERIAULT, COUNCILOR         YES
COREY PELLETIER, COUNCILOR          YES
JOEY QUELLETTE, COUNCILOR          YES
ANDREW CARON, COUNCILOR            YES
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of June, 2021.

Suzie Paradis, Town Manager

Jacob Robichaud, Council Chair

Attest:

Angela Coulombe, Municipal Clerk

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency for the use and reliance of the Town of Fort Kent only:

Robert J. Plourde, Esq.