January 18, 2022

Jeff Johnson
Senior State Director
AARP Florida
200 West College Avenue, Suite 304
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Dear Mr. Johnson,

On behalf of Healthy West Kendall, I am pleased to offer this letter of commitment to creating an age-friendly community and to request membership into the World Health Organization (WHO) and AARP’s Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities Initiative.

West Kendall Community is home to older adults age 65 and over, representing 14% of our population. Older adults are essential to our community. Healthy West Kendall frequently conducts programming that caters to the needs of older adults within the community. We hope to build upon this work and to build a community that is livable for all ages and abilities.

As a participant in the national network of communities, it is the intent of Healthy West Kendall to:
- Include the active engagement of older adults in our planning processes and committees;
- Conduct a baseline assessment of age-friendliness of the community;
- Develop a community-wide action plan based on the findings of the assessment; and
- Identify indicators so progress of the plan can be monitored.

We look forward to working with the AARP Florida Office, its members and volunteers, and our stakeholders to create a plan of action that responds to the needs in our community as we work to build Healthy West Kendall for all ages.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Joe A. Martinez
Commissioner

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