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MAYOR

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Mr. Greg Tanner, State Director
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Dear Mr. Tanner:

As Mayor of the City of Atlanta it is my distinct pleasure to submit this letter of support for our city to partner with and the World Health Organization and AARP's Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities Initiative. My Administration is committed to promoting policies that make our city better able to provide for the safety, welfare, and overall positive development of Atlanta's senior community.

The City of Atlanta has a long-standing tradition of ensuring that our senior populations have access to vital health and social services, are valued and able to contribute to civic life, and have a suitable environment where they can age safely and continue to contribute to their communities with purpose and dignity.

The Atlanta City Council and I are committed to building a city that ties communities together, regardless of age, in order to build a more prosperous and sustainable future for all. This initiative will allow us to continue to further our work in ensuring that Atlanta retains its reputation as a city that supports and nurtures its elderly.

As a participant in the national network of communities, it is the intent of the Mayor of the City of Atlanta to:

- Secure a city council proclamation that supports the City's effort to become age-friendly.
- To engage the Atlanta Commission on Aging to perform a baseline assessment of the age-friendliness of the city.
- Develop a city-wide action plan based upon the findings of the assessment.
- Commit to measuring outcomes relative to the action plan to monitor progress and make necessary adjustments to the initial plan.

As Atlanta joins cities across the nation, we look forward to working with AARP Georgia staff and other stakeholders to ensure that our community has the appropriate infrastructure in place to influence the health and quality of life of our aging population. I have no doubt that Atlanta can be a shining example of Age-Friendliness.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kasim Reed".

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