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Mr. Will Stoner
780 Third Avenue, 33rd Floor
New York, New York 10017

Dear Mr. Stoner:


I am writing this letter to express our interest in applying for the World Health Organization Global Network of Age Friendly Communities designation. At our last meeting, the Town Board adopted a resolution in support of this initiative and authorizing me to send this letter.

The Town of North Hempstead has a long history of adopting innovative and forward-thinking policies to attract and keep residents. North Hempstead is on the forefront of developing the modern suburb that embraces livable communities for residents of any age. The Town's Department of Services for the Aging currently manages Project Independence, a program designed to provide support and programs for seniors to enable them to remain in their homes, rather than be forced to relocate. In addition, on October 21st, the Town Board amended the Town's Zoning Code to encourage greater development of affordable housing for seniors in the Town by lowering age limitations and lot sizes for housing developments benefitting from federal and state tax credits.

Partnering and exchanging ideas with AARP will help enhance our ability to:

- practice sound planning;
- establish an advisory citizens' committee that includes the active engagement of older adults;
- establish a robust and concrete plan of action that responds to the needs identified by older adults in the community;
- commit to measuring activities, reviewing action plan outcomes and reporting on them publicly.

We appreciate your interest in working with North Hempstead and we look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Judi Bosworth
Town Supervisor