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**RE: LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR APPLICATION TO THE WHO GLOBAL NETWORK AND
U.S. AFFILIATE AARP NETWORK OF AGE-FRIENDLY CITIES AND COMMUNITIES**

Dear Friend,

I write in support of this application to join the WHO Global Network and U.S. affiliate AARP Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities.

Purposeful Aging L.A.: The 21st Century Initiative for Age-Friendly Los Angeles will make Los Angeles a better place for people of all ages to live, work, play, invest and visit. The effort will galvanize partnerships around an age-friendly focus. It will bring leaders from governmental, business, healthcare, educational, religious, cultural and community sectors together to create a city that is more inclusive for older adults.

At the municipal level, *Purposeful Aging L.A.* provides a flexible framework for city departments to better serve older adults. It will also provide a platform for older Angelenos to participate in this transformation. Each component of this effort converges in support of healthy, active and engaged older people as an asset of city life.

I look forward to working these partners to solve challenges and create opportunities for an aging population.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Garcetti', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

ERIC GARCETTI
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