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Laura Palmer
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Dear Ms. Palmer:

On behalf of the County of Albany, I am pleased to send this letter ensuring our ongoing commitment to create an age-friendly environment. As such, I respectfully request membership in the World Health Organization’s Global Network of Age Friendly Cities and Communities. The County of Albany has always recognized the importance of promoting and encouraging age-friendly planning and policies to address changing demographics and to enhance independent living. We stand committed to continually improve active and healthy aging and to sustain economic and social vitality.

I look forward to working with a variety of partners who already help to make Albany County a great place to live, work and age in. I believe that we have a strong framework to build upon in addressing the Eight Domains of Community Life that the World Health Organization believes helps to influence the health and quality of life of all of our citizens, most importantly our older residents.

Thank you for considering Albany County for membership to the World Health Organization’s Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities. I look forward to a productive relationship with AARP as we begin this very important journey.

Sincerely,

Daniel P. McCoy
Albany County Executive