August 13, 2018

Rafi Nazarians
Associate State Director, Community
AARP
200 S. Los Robles Ave., Ste. 400
Pasadena, CA 91101-2422

Dear Rafi,

Enclosed are the County of Marin’s letter and application for membership in the World Health Organization’s Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities and the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities. The letter has been signed by Supervisor Damon Connolly who is the Board president for the calendar year.

The Marin County Board of Supervisors looks forward to joining the networks and is committed to advancing the age-friendly movement in Marin County. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Gary Lara
Administrative Asst. II

encl.
August 7, 2018

Rafi Nazarians  
Associate State Director, Community  
AARP  
200 S. Los Robles Ave., Ste. 400  
Pasadena, CA 91101-2422

Dear Mr. Nazarians,

On behalf of the Board, I respectfully submit the County of Marin’s application for membership in the World Health Organization’s Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities and the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities.

Currently, 27 percent of our population is 60 and older and by 2030, projections indicate at least one in three residents will be in this age cohort.

In January of this year, celebrating the contributions of older adults while recognizing more needs to be done to support these members of our community, the Board proclaimed 2018 the Year of the Older Adult. This reflects the culmination of several initiatives, policies, programs and services which form a strong foundation for the Age-Friendly County of Marin initiative. Central to this foundation is the Aging Action Initiative (AAI), a collective impact endeavor for which the County provides the backbone function and funding. AAI promotes an age-friendly environment through education, policy advocacy and service coordination.

The Age-Friendly County of Marin initiative will augment the AAI by focusing on County departments and unincorporated areas and collaborating with local age-friendly cities. As a member, the County of Marin intends to:

- Engage older adults in all stages of the age-friendly process
- Assess the age-friendliness of County departments and unincorporated areas
- Create a three-year action plan with reachable, measurable steps
- Implement, measure and report on outcomes of the plan

Thank you for your consideration. The Board looks forward to joining the networks and is committed to advancing the age-friendly movement in Marin County.

Sincerely,

Damon Connolly