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Lori Parham AARP Maine State Director 53 Baxter Boulevard Portland, Maine 04101

Dear Ms. Parham,

On behalf of the Town of Ogunquit, we are pleased to submit this letter of interest and commitment in the AARP/World Health Organization Network of Age-Friendly Communities.

Ogunquit is home to approximately 1,200 year-round residents with a median age of approximately 62 (61.7 years); 15 years older than the median age of York County with nearly half of the residents having attained the age of 60. As such, Ogunquit recognizes the importance of encouraging and promoting age-friendly planning and policies to address changing demographics and to enhance independent living, and is committed to a process of continual improvement to support active and healthy aging.

As part of our involvement and commitment, with AARP's support, we will conduct a base assessment of the community's age-friendliness and develop a community action plan based on the findings of the assessment. We will involve older residents deeply in the planning process and we commit to monitoring progress toward implementing the action plan.

We look forward to working together to continue to make this "Beautiful Place by the Sea" an age-friendly community.

Sincerely,

Charles L. Waite, III – Chair, Select Board

Patricia A. Finnigan, Town Manager

Charles LaFlamme – Chair, Bicycle-Pedestrian Committee