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Ms. Stephanie Hunsinger
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Dear Ms. Hunsinger:

On behalf of the City of Elizabeth, I am pleased to offer this letter of our ongoing commitment to creating an age-friendly environment and respectfully request membership to the World Health Organization's Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities. This designation will enable the incorporation of additional age-friendly programs, which will enhance overall access to services throughout our municipality. Jewish Family Services of Central New Jersey and Lifelong Elizabeth seek to build upon their past successful initiatives of increasing resources, raising awareness and improving the quality of life throughout our neighborhoods.

Jewish Family Services of Central New Jersey and Lifelong Elizabeth have worked closely with the City of Elizabeth's Office on Aging, which is located within the Department of Health and Human Services. The Office on Aging administers and oversees activities at the municipality's senior centers as well as provides support to the City of Elizabeth's residents, who are sixty-five years old and older. They accomplish this by spearheading programs, such as transportation assistance, coordinating services as well as implementing an array of initiatives and activities.

As the fourth largest municipality in the State of New Jersey, the City of Elizabeth remains committed to addressing the needs of all our residents and has maintained a collaborative working relationship with Jewish Family Services of Central New Jersey as well as Lifelong Elizabeth. They are true community partners and their efforts continue to make a difference in the lives of others.

Organizing community-wide approaches to increase age-friendly services as well as highlight and empower our senior population, Jewish Family Services of Central New Jersey and Lifelong Elizabeth display a strong commitment to providing a solid foundation for positive community contributions, goal attainment and future success. This anticipated opportunity builds on these efforts by supporting access as well as providing additional tools to link services in order to further aid older adults and their families. Thank you for consideration of membership for the City of Elizabeth to the World Health Organization's Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities.

If I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Christian Bollwage", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

J. Christian Bollwage
Mayor

cc: Jill Dispenza, Jewish Family Services of Central NJ