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Stephanie Hunsinger
State Director, AARP New Jersey
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Dear Ms. Hunsinger,

On behalf of the City of Garfield, I am pleased to submit our application for the *AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities* and the *World Health Organization (WHO) Global Network for Age-Friendly Cities and Communities*. As in many cities throughout New Jersey, the needs of our residents are changing as they age. We are proud that our Age-Friendly Community Initiative (AFCI), 'Generations for Garfield, A Community for All Ages,' is working to provide the support and resources our seniors need to age in place, based on the results of our AFCI survey conducted in the summer of 2016.

As a member of the Network of Age Friendly Communities, Generations for Garfield and our City as a whole, commits to the following activities/tasks:

- Continue to engage Garfield's older adults and recruit residents to participate in Generations for Garfield committees and events.
- Develop a Community-wide vision and subsequent action plan based on survey results, incorporating the needs of our older adults.
- Secure a resolution from the City Council to work towards the overall vision of Garfield as an Age-Friendly Community, i.e., 'A Community for All Ages'
- Identify specific outcomes within the overall vision of an Age-Friendly Garfield to monitor progress.

We look forward to working with AARP New Jersey once again and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard Rigoglioso
Mayor, City of Garfield

