



April 4, 2018

Ms. Rebecca Kelly, Director
AARP Tennessee
150 4th Avenue North, Suite 180
Nashville, TN 37219,

Dear Ms. Kelly,

I am excited about the opportunity to join AARP Tennessee to become an AARP Livable Community. Chattanooga is committed to promoting policies to make American cities friendly to aging populations.

To address our changing demographics, our community has recently announced the creation of a Mayor's Council on Seniors comprised of a diverse group, including seniors, executives from local non-profit providers, funding agencies, policy makers, and academia. Our goal is to ensure our aging community members have the resources to be healthy, independent and integrated into community life.

As a participant in the national network of Livable Communities, it is the intent of the City of Chattanooga to:

Include the active engagement of older adults in the Mayor's Council.
Establish a plan of action that responds to the needs identified by older adults in the community.
Commit to measuring activities, reviewing action plan outcomes and reporting on them publicly.

We look forward to working with AARP Tennessee staff and volunteers to ensure our community has the appropriate infrastructure in place so we can all age with dignity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andy Berke".

Mayor Andy Berke
City of Chattanooga