



October 10, 2019

Lori Parham  
AARP Maine State Director  
53 Baster Blvd  
Portland ME 04101

Dear Ms. Parham,

On behalf of the City of South Portland, I am pleased to submit this letter of interest and commitment in the AARP/World Health Organization Network of Age-Friendly Communities. South Portland 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. In fact, in addition to having created and funded a Senior Steering Implementation Committee that is charged with implementing the report produced by our Senior Advisory Committee, our City Council also voted this year to make "Senior Services/Aging in Place" one of its eight goals for 2019.

As part of our involvement and commitment we have already conducted a base assessment of the community's age-friendliness and developed a community action plan based on the findings of the assessment. We did involve older residents deeply in the planning process and our committee and Council will continue to monitoring progress toward implementing the action plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott T. Morelli", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Scott T. Morelli  
City Manager

cc: City Council (via email only)  
Senior Steering Implementation Committee (via email only)