

# RESOLUTION NO. 159-20

## RESOLUTION TO SEEK MEMBERSHIP IN THE AARP NETWORK OF AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES

Offered by: Ways & Means Committee

**WHEREAS**, as 20 percent of Allegany County is currently over 60 years old with that figure expected to increase significantly by 2030; it is of great importance to solidify communities that are equipped to support active aging, and

**WHEREAS**, inclusive and supportive, social, environmental, and built, infrastructures play a critical role in helping residents thrive in their communities as they age, and

**WHEREAS**, Allegany County is committed to developing programs, services, facilities, and projects that are planned, designed, operated, and maintained to best accommodate users of all ages and abilities, and

**WHEREAS**, becoming an age-friendly community requires widespread community support, and a shared mindset must be incorporated into every sector of the county to work together on an initiative to support all ages of life, and

**WHEREAS**, Ardent Solutions, Inc. resolves to take the lead role in implementing the Age-Friendly Communities initiative for Allegany County in cooperation with the Allegany County Office for the Aging, Long Term Care Council, and other entities as fit the mission, and

**WHEREAS**, joining the AARP and W.H.O. Network of Age-Friendly Communities will connect Allegany County with communities across the country and the world to unify our efforts to make communities a great place to live for all ages and stages of life, now, therefore, be it

### RESOLVED:

1. That in order to ensure the communities of Allegany County are well-designed, livable communities that promote health and sustained economic growth for residents of all ages, Allegany County supports the planning process and requests participation in the AARP and W.H.O. Network of Age-Friendly Communities.

I, Brenda Rigby Riehle, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Allegany, State of New York, do hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a correct copy of the original on file in my office and the whole thereof of a resolution passed by said Board on the **27<sup>th</sup> day of July 2020**.

Brenda Rigby Riehle Dated at Belmont, New York, this 28th day of July 2020  
Clerk, Board of Legislators, Allegany County

Moved by: **Stockin**                      Seconded by: **Fanton**                      VOTE: Ayes: **12**                      Noes: **2**                      Absent: **1**                      Voice:  
Absent: Burdick  
Voting No: Barnes, Decker