



TOWN OF COLMA

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Rafi Nazarians
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Dear Mr. Nazarians,

On behalf of the Town of Colma, I request and endorse our designation by both AARP and the World Health Organization (WHO) as an Age-Friendly Community. Colma maintains a strong commitment to our community, and as an Age-Friendly City we will continue to support the health, vibrancy, and livability of our community for all ages.

The Town of Colma is known worldwide as the "City of Souls" and is the smallest city in San Mateo County. The City has both old world architecture and a state-of-the-art Police Department. Currently, about 11% of our population is over the age of 60, which is the most rapidly growing age demographic in the Town. We pride ourselves in being a livable community for residents of all ages and are committed to age-friendly city goals based upon our strong support of our older adults. We strive to ensure that they receive the respect, dignity, and involvement in all aspects of our Town's future.

Colma has built local collaborative partnerships within the County of San Mateo to move the Age-Friendly Initiative forward in this region. We have formed an Age-Friendly task force comprised primarily of older adults from the community that are committed to:

- Conducting a baseline community assessment on the needs of older adults.
- Establishing a three-year action plan to address the identified needs.
- Developing tools to measure the progress of the action plan.

We look forward to working with AARP and WHO as we create an Age-Friendly City that provides its residents with the tools and resources they need to remain healthy and active throughout their lives.

Sincerely,

John Goodwin, Mayor

John Irish Goodwin, Mayor
Diana Colvin, Vice Mayor

Helen Fisicaro, Council Member • Raquel P. Gonzalez, Council Member • Joanne F. del Rosario, Council Member
Brian Dossey, City Manager