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OPEN INVITATION TO:

The Positively Aged People of Hauraki

Greetings

CELEBRATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF OLDER PERSONS

The General Assembly of the United Nations designated October 1st as International Day of Older Persons. This day was observed for the first time throughout the world on October 1st, 1991. By designating a "Special Day" for seniors, the Assembly was giving recognition to the contributions of seniors to development and also drawing attention to a demographic phenomenon: the greying of the population, the "age of aging".

This year Hauraki District Council wants to join with the nations throughout the world and celebrate this day with you.

As part of this celebration we plan to share an afternoon tea with you and others that are over 55. As we do not expect everyone to come to the one place we will be holding a session in each of the main centres e.g. Waihi, Paeroa and Ngatea. That afternoon will give us the opportunity to thank our 'senior' citizens for their commitment to the development of the community and share some of the challenges we face today.

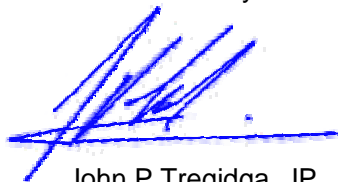
As we are aware of an "Aged Concern" event occurring in Thames on Thursday 1st October we have decided to hold our days on the Tuesday for the residents of Waihi, Wednesday in Paeroa for the Paeroa residents and Friday in Ngatea for the residents of the Plains area.

Attached is a brochure that outlines the programme in more detail.

For catering and resource purposes it is important that you contact either John McIver (0800 734 834 extension 5063) or Erin Wood ((07) 862 5022) and let one of them know who and how many will be in attendance – before midday Friday 25 September 2009 please.

I hope you can make it and I look forward to catching up with you.

Yours sincerely



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Mayor