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Dear Ms. Lee.

I am pleased to congratulate your organization on winning the 2020 United Nations Public Service Awards, in the category of "Delivering Inclusive and Equitable Public Services for all", for the initiative "Seongdong District's HYO Policy". Your institution's outstanding achievement has demonstrated excellence in serving the public interest and it has made a significant contribution to the improvement of public administration in your country. Indeed, it will serve as an inspiration and encouragement for others working for public service.

The General Assembly, in its resolution 57/277, designated 23 June as United Nations Public Service Day for the purpose of celebrating the value and virtue of service to the community at the local, national and global levels. On 23 June each year, the United Nations organizes a ceremony to commemorate the United Nations Public Service Day, during which the most innovative initiatives in the public sector around the world are recognized.

However, as the world continues to be impacted by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, our plans to host a 2020 United Nations Public Service Awards Ceremony have been postponed until further notice. While it is regrettable that we cannot honour the 2020 United Nations Public Service Award initiatives via a ceremony at this time, we are planning numerous outreach activities to showcase your work online, including over United Nations social media channels, which we will follow up about in due course.

In the meantime, if you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Elizabeth Niland, Programme Management Officer, Division for Public Institutions and Digital Government, UN DESA (nilande@un.org).

Yours sincerely,

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