

Presented by: Mayor and Assembly
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Drafted by: B.J.B.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 1542

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE SELECTION OF THE LENIN DISTRICT, VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIAN REPUBLIC AS AN OFFICIAL SISTER CITY TO THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA, AND REQUESTING THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO PROCEED WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROTOCOL AGREEMENT DATED OCTOBER 11, 1991, ESTABLISHING A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE PEOPLES OF VLADIVOSTOK AND JUNEAU.

WHEREAS, the International Relations Advisory Committee and the Vladivostok Sister City Committee have been working diligently over the past year to develop a Sister City relationship with Vladivostok, Russian Republic, and

WHEREAS, Juneau and Vladivostok have shown a mutual desire to establish friendly ties and cooperation for the benefit of the residents of both cities, and

WHEREAS, citizen delegations from each city have visited the other city as testimony to that mutual desire, and

WHEREAS, establishing friendship and interchange between the peoples of Juneau and Vladivostok is an important contribution to the causes of peace, human rights, and understanding, and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this relationship, on October 11, 1991, the City and Borough of Juneau and the Lenin District, Vladivostok, entered into a Protocol Agreement establishing a Sister City relationship between the Lenin District, Vladivostok, and Juneau, for the mutual benefit of the people of both cities, and

WHEREAS, the International Relations Advisory Committee has requested that the Assembly endorse the selection of the Lenin District, Vladivostok, Russian Republic as an official Sister City to the City and Borough of Juneau, and authorize the committee to proceed with implementation of the Protocol Agreement, and

WHEREAS, this Sister City relationship will serve to promote and foster mutually beneficial educational, business, trade, cultural, scientific and sports exchanges, international municipal cooperation, and a bond of friendship and understanding between the City and Borough of Juneau and the Lenin District, Vladivostok, and

WHEREAS, the Assembly wishes to formally endorse the Sister City relationship and the Protocol Agreement with the Lenin District, Vladivostok;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

1. That the Assembly hereby endorses the selection of the Lenin District, Vladivostok, Russian Republic, as an official Sister City of the City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska, and further endorses the Protocol Agreement entered into between the two cities on October 11, 1991, in Vladivostok, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

2. The Assembly requests and authorizes the International Relations Advisory Committee to proceed with implementation of the Protocol Agreement establishing a Sister City relationship between the peoples of the Lenin District, Vladivostok and Juneau.

3. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 21st day of October, 1991.



Mayor

Attest:



Clerk

EXHIBIT "A"

PROTOCOL AGREEMENT

between

THE LENIN DISTRICT, VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIAN REPUBLIC

and

CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

AGREEMENT

between

Lenin's

DISTRICT, VLADIVOSTOK,

and

JUNEAU, ALASKA, U.S.A.

ON ESTABLISHING A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN
THE PEOPLES OF VLADIVOSTOK AND JUNEAU

Taking into consideration the mutual wishes of the people of Vladivostok and Juneau; and

Considering their mutual desire to establish friendly ties and cooperation between Vladivostok and Juneau for the benefit of the residents of both cities; and

Recognizing that citizen delegations from each city have visited the other as testimony to that mutual desire; and

Affirming that establishing friendship and interchange between the people of our cities is an important contribution to the causes of peace, human rights, and understanding; and

Believing that the personal development of the individual and respect for the individual can be furthered by a greater understanding of how people carry on their lives in other countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE REPRESENTATIVES OF Lenin's
DISTRICT, VLADIVOSTOK AND JUNEAU SIGN THIS PROTOCOL AGREEMENT AND
ESTABLISH A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN Lenin's
DISTRICT, VLADIVOSTOK AND JUNEAU FOR THE MUTUAL BENEFIT OF THE
PEOPLE OF BOTH CITIES, AS FOLLOWS:

1. Both cities will maintain and encourage friendly contacts

and cooperation by all available means, to include the following:

- (a) at least one official annual delegation from each city to the other, to include city government representatives;
- (b) regular visits by residents of each city to the other;
- (c) the free flow of information and ideas between the residents of each city.

2. Each city will encourage the exchange of information about all subjects of interest to its residents, including the following:

- (a) information about each city and its public life;
- (b) the activities of local government, including areas in the vicinity of the official municipal boundaries of each city;
- (c) the work endeavors of individuals, with linkage between persons in similar occupations and pursuits;
- (d) trade and economic development, with emphasis on matters where an enterprise within one city can aid the economic development of the other city or be the basis for trade opportunities of mutual benefit;
- (e) educational, scientific, cultural, media, and sports exchanges;

- (f) artistic endeavors;
- (g) ways in which health, environmental, and social issues are addressed in each city;
- (h) other people-to-people contacts, including tourist groups.

3. In all activities, each city will observe the following principles:

- (a) freedom of invitation and association;
- (b) freedom of communication;
- (c) freedom of travel;
- (d) respect for the internal laws and regulations in each city;
- (e) respect for the integrity of the individual person.

4. Both cities affirm their mutual belief that it is through direct people-to-people contact, facilitating the free flow of ideas and information, that the people of each city can best come to know and understand one another. Both cities and their designated Sister City Committees will consider the requests of the other concerning activities and visits, and will strive to accommodate the wishes of the other. The people of each city will be free to explore openly and candidly areas of concern and difference, as well as areas of agreement and accomplishment.

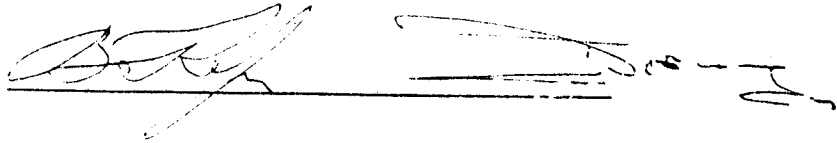
5. In maintaining contacts and cooperation, individuals from the public and private sectors will participate in Sister City activities. To further the aims of this agreement, each city will designate local residents to serve as a Sister City Committee for

the purpose of developing and implementing programs to carry out the purposes of this agreement. The designated Sister City Committees will work directly with each other to ensure that the relationship succeeds.

6. Specific plans to carry out this agreement will be developed annually by the designated Sister City Committees, to be reviewed by the governing body of each city.

AGREED to this 11 day of 10, 1991

ON BEHALF OF Lenin's DISTRICT, VLADIVOSTOK:



ON BEHALF OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

Myra Howe [Signature] for
Bruce M. Botelho
Mayor