## AN AGREEMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SISTER CITIES RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ABUJA (NIGERIA) AND THE CITY OF MILWAUKEE (U.S.A.)

Whereas, The Sister City Program, administered by Sister Cities International®, was initiated by the President of the United States of America in 1956 to encourage greater friendship and understanding between the United States and other nations through direct personal contact; and

Whereas, In order to foster those goals, the people of Milwaukee and Abuja in a gesture of friendship and goodwill, agree to collaborate for the mutual benefit of their communities by exploring educational, economic and cultural opportunities; and

Whereas, We agree to support and encourage opportunities for mutually beneficial practical exchanges in the fields of business, culture, health care, education, and tourism among other aspects; and

Whereas, Milwaukee and Abuja, sharing common interests and the desire to promote mutual understanding among our citizens do hereby proclaim themselves Sister Cities beginning on September 28, 2023 the date of Milwaukee Common Council resolution establishing the Sister City relationship became effective;

Now Therefore, Milwaukee and Abuja do hereby proclaim themselves Sister Cities, and declare their intent to abide by these guidelines according to Sister Cities International® policies.

Signed on  $\frac{12/13/23}{}$  in the English language, being equally authentic for cities.

Hon. Christopher Zakka
Executive Chairman of
Abuja Municipal Area Council

Cavalier Johnson Mayor of Milwaukee