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Irpin City Council
Kyiv Region
Executive Committee
Shevchenko St. 2-A, Irpin,
Kiev Region
Ukraine 08205

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing you today in support of the visa applications of the following individuals:

1. KARPLIUK VOLODYMYR, Passport: ER953110
2. KRAVCHUK VOLODYMYR, Passport: FE262194
3. KOLOMIETS OLEKSANDR, Passport: FB579602
4. KUTS YAROSLAV, Passport: FE777613
5. KRAVCHUK ANDRII, Passport: FP120875
6. MELNYK LILIIA, Passport: FJ639568
7. HOLOTA ALONA, Passport: FG201842
8. SAPON MYKHAILO, Passport: FG328063
9. ZABOLOTNII OLEKSANDR, Passport: FL759819
10. POMAZAN ANDRII, Passport: FB768941

These individuals comprise a delegation group from Irpin, Ukraine who will travel to the City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin in the United States from August 23, 2021 through September 12, 2021 for the purpose of visiting Milwaukee Summerfest Festival, Harley-Davidson Museum, Milwaukee Art Museum, and various businesses, organizations, and institutions for education, art, economic, technical, and municipal exchanges.

The City of Milwaukee invites and supports this delegation to visit Milwaukee for this purpose as part of the sister city relationship activities between the two cities. The City of Milwaukee has

a current sister city relationship with the City of Irpin, Ukraine. The sister city relationship was formally established with a signed agreement between the two cities on March 15, 2018 for the purposes of promoting peace, through citizen diplomacy and partnerships, and a long-term, cooperative relationship between the two cities for cultural, educational, business, and technical exchanges to take place.

All hotel accommodations, airline tickets, and travel expenses with regards to the delegation traveling from Irpin to Milwaukee will be paid for by Irpin City Council or independently by each person. Please be aware that no Milwaukee city funds shall be used for travel expenses by city officials in connection with any sister city or friendly exchange relationship according to the Milwaukee Code of Ordinance Chapter 335.

The City of Milwaukee Sister Cities Committee is created to assist the City, through its Common Council, with the establishment and maintenance of sister city relationships pursuant to Sister Cities International regulations through nonprofit, volunteer based organizations that organize and implement cooperative programs in education, arts, business, and municipal and technical exchanges with Milwaukee's sister cities around the world to collaborate on programs of mutual benefit to our city and its partners. We are also members of the Sister Cities International network, one of the largest citizen diplomacy networks in the world.

Sister Cities International is a nonprofit citizen diplomacy network that creates and strengthens partnerships between U.S. and International communities. With a network of over 2,000 cities in 146 countries all over the world, we strive to build global cooperation at the municipal level, promote cultural understanding and stimulate economic development.

I appreciate any consideration your office can give to this delegation group from Irpin, Ukraine, and would encourage you to contact us if you have any concerns. Thank you again for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Khalif J. Rainey", enclosed in a thin black rectangular border.

Ald. Khalif J. Rainey, Chair
Sister Cities Committee

CC: CCFN 171188