

## **Sister Cities Committee**

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November 13, 2023

Gradonačelnik Nikola Dasic Trg slobode 3 34000 Kragujevac Serbia

## Re: CCFN 230665, Substitute resolution establishing a sister city relationship between the City of Milwaukee and Kragujevac, Serbia.

Dear Gradonačelnik Nikola Dasic,

Congratulations! This is notification that a resolution establishing a sister city relationship between the City of Milwaukee and Kragujevac, Serbia was adopted by the Milwaukee Common Council on October 10, 2023, and signed by Mayor Cavalier Johnson of the City of Milwaukee on October 12, 2023. Attached is a certified copy of the resolution.

In order for the relationship to be official, both respective mayors (or their equivalent) from both cities are required to sign an agreement for the establishment of the relationship. Once the agreement has been signed, the relationship shall be valid for 5 years. Attached is an English agreement draft version for review by your city. Please forward this to the appropriate authority for its review, approval, any changes, and translation to the official language of your city and/or country (if different from English) back to us at your earliest.

An agreement signing ceremony in the City of Milwaukee has been typically scheduled once the attendance of both mayors (or their equivalent) from both cities can be arranged. Our Mayor's Office has tentatively set an agreement signing ceremony date for Friday, January 26, 2024 at 11 a.m. here at Milwaukee City Hall, 200 E. Wells St., Common Council Chambers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Milwaukee, WI 53202.

Please work with St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Cathedral, as the local sponsoring agency here in Milwaukee, on any preparations and confirm with our office when you and any contingents will be able to come to the City of Milwaukee and confirm the signing ceremony date aforementioned above. If you (or an equivalent/ authorized representative on his behalf) cannot travel to Milwaukee based on the dates given, there can be further discussion on alternative dates or other signing arrangements. Our office will work with St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Cathedral and our Mayor's Office going forward to prepare for the signing ceremony.

We look forward to further exploring this sister city relationship with you. The City of Milwaukee is a member of Sister Cities International and adheres to its policies and procedures in reviewing and maintaining relationships. We believe a limited number of such relationships are beneficial to cultural, economic, and educational growth and development for all involved.

If you have any questions, please contact the Staff Assistant to the Committee, Chris Lee, at 414-286-2232, or clee@milwaukee.gov.

Sincerely,

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Ald. Russell W. Stamper, II, Chair Sister Cities Committee

Enclosure

Cc: Ald. Russell Stamper, II Mayor Cavalier Johnson St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Cathedral CCFN 230665