

## **Sister Cities Committee**

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September 14, 2023

Milwaukee Irish Festivals, Inc. dba CelticMKE Attn: Caitlin Ward, Cailin Branchford, & Molly Modlinski 1532 Wauwatosa Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53213

Dear Ms. Ward, Branchford, and Modlinski,

This is notification that the sister city relationship with the City of Milwaukee and Galway, Ireland will expire on May 23, 2024. Per section 335-7 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, no later than 6 months prior to the expiration of a sister city relationship, the sponsoring entity may submit a renewal application to the city clerk on a form prepared by the committee. **The Sister Cities Committee requests that you submit a formal renewal application, a copy of which is enclosed, by November 23, 2023.** 

Please note that in addition to some basic information, the renewal application requests detailed attachments regarding the sister city, your local nonprofit organization, and the organization in the sister city that will support this relationship. A thorough response to all questions will be most appreciated and will strengthen your renewal application.

The Sister Cities Committee will schedule a formal hearing on your renewal application, and you will be notified to attend. If the Committee recommends approval of the renewal application, it will be forwarded to the Common Council's Community and Economic Development Committee and then to the full Council.

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 possible 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 regarding the procedures to be followed, please contact the Staff Assistant to the Committee, Chris Lee, at 414-286-2232, or <u>clee@milwaukee.gov</u>. Your renewal application should be submitted to Mr. Lee at the address on this letterhead.

Sincerely,

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