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Substitute resolution establishing a friendly exchange leading to a sister city relationship between the City of Milwaukee and Patiala, India.

This resolution authorizes the establishment of a friendly exchange leading to a sister city relationship between the City of Milwaukee and the City of Patiala, India.

Whereas, Patiala, a city of 332,005 residents in the Punjab state of India in the northwest area of the country, is the administrative headquarters of the Patiala District and was the capital of the premier princely state in the former Punjab Province of British India; and

Whereas, Patiala is a famous center of learning, home to the Punjabi University, Thapar Institute of Engineering and Technology, Mohindra College, Government Medical College, MM Modi College, Government College for Girls, Bikram College, Khalsa College and the Government Ayurvedic College, and Yadvindra Public School, a famous sports school; and

Whereas, Patiala, well-known for its evolving style of architecture, has many unique buildings such as the Qila Mubarak Fort, built in 1763; the Moti Bagh Palace, built in 1847; and the Sheesh Mahal and Museum; and

Whereas, Although the Patiala District economy is based on agriculture, it is fast emerging as an industrial center producing small cutting tools, power cables, bicycles, agriculture implements including harvester combines and threshers, milk products, pesticides, etc.; and

Whereas, Representatives of the Indian community in Milwaukee have expressed their desire to develop a friendly exchange leading to a sister city relationship between Milwaukee and Patiala; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee is committed to enhancing global understanding, encouraging mutual education, developing cultural exchanges and increasing economic opportunities; and

Whereas, There exists an area of mutual interest and involvement between Patiala and Milwaukee in terms of culture and business; and

Whereas, There is evidence of local community support for this prospective friendly exchange program leading to a sister city relationship in order to assure a strong financial base and interest in exchanges; and

Whereas, There will be continued consultation and communication between the 2 cities during the process of establishing a friendly exchange program leading to a sister city relationship; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the establishment of a friendly exchange program leading to a sister city relationship between the City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, U.S.A., and the City of Patiala, India, is authorized; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Mayor of the City of Milwaukee is requested to invite the City of Patiala to join with the City of Milwaukee in establishing a friendly exchange program leading to a sister city relationship between the 2 cities; and, be it

Further Resolved, The City of Milwaukee commits itself to pursuing increased understanding and cooperation between the 2 cities.

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