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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL
MAYOR

February 28, 2018

TO THE HONORABLE, THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith congratulatory resolutions regarding the anniversaries of various Chicago Sister Cities.

Your favorable consideration of these resolutions will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rahm Emanuel".

Mayor

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Sister Cities International was established in 1956 to further global understanding by encouraging and assisting United States communities and their citizens to join together with cities around the world; and

WHEREAS, Since 1960, Chicago Sister Cities International has established strong ties with 28 Sister Cities around the world; and

WHEREAS, These partnerships continue to enhance international cooperation and understanding through community involvement and people-to-people relationships; and

WHEREAS, These ties have increased international trade, economic development, tourism, cultural exchanges and educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Chicago is a global city comprised of diverse communities and neighborhoods and a leader in forging long-lasting relationships throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, 2018 marks the 25th anniversary of Chicago's Sister City relationship with Birmingham, United Kingdom; and

WHEREAS, Chicago and Birmingham are both historic industrial and manufacturing hubs; and

WHEREAS, Chicago and Birmingham are known for their extensive park systems; and

WHEREAS, Chicago and Birmingham are both known for the legacies of their athletic teams and sports culture; and

WHEREAS, Both Chicago and Birmingham are fondly known as "The Second City" in their respective countries; and

WHEREAS, Chicago shares a long history of friendship and cooperation with the people of the United Kingdom; and

WHEREAS, The United Kingdom has made vital contributions to the development of Chicago through its history and continues to play an important role in the cultural, civic and economic life of our city; and

WHEREAS, Chicago looks forward to working closely with Birmingham and the United Kingdom into the future; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this twenty-eighth day of February, 2018, do hereby honor Chicago's 25th

anniversary with Birmingham, United Kingdom, and commemorate the contributions that this relationship has brought to the citizens of the City of Chicago; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to The Honorable John Saville, Her Majesty's Consul General, Consulate General of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.