

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND PHNOM PENH CAPITAL CITY, THE KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA

- Whereas,** the City of Long Beach is so rich in cultural and ethnic diversity and home to the largest Cambodian Americans in the United States; and
- Whereas,** the desire of both Cambodian and American to promote the good friendship, and broaden cooperation to encourage goodwill between cities, and;
- Whereas,** the desire to promote mutual understanding through the promotion of peace, stability and prosperity in the Asia-Pacific Region and the world at large, and;
- Whereas,** Phnom Penh, the capital city of the Kingdom of Cambodia is the center of Cambodia's government, commerce, arts, culture and educational institutions; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that

The City of Long Beach, California, United States of America and Phnom Penh Capital City of the Kingdom of Cambodia, wishing to establishing stronger cultural, educational as well as economics ties and friendship between the people of the two countries, and promoting the friendly exchanges and cooperation between the two cities, agreed to enter into an agreement on establishing the sister city relationship upon mutually agreeable terms and conditions and follows:

1. Both cities are ready to conduct friendly exchanges and cooperation on the basis of equality and mutual benefits;
2. The City of Long Beach and Phnom Penh Capital City seek to facilitate various forms of exchanges and cooperation in fields such as economics, trade, education, culture, agriculture, tourism, health and personnel, science and technology so as to promote common development for shared prosperity;
3. The City of Long Beach and Phnom Penh Capital City agree to facilitate the exchanges of visits of their respective representatives;
4. Regular contacts shall be maintained between the leaders and related departments of the two cities to enable continuous consultations on issues concerning bilateral exchanges and cooperation as well as common interest.
5. This Memorandum of Understanding aims to bolster the bilateral friendly exchanges and cooperation, without incurring any legal obligations between the two parties;
6. This Memorandum of Understanding is signed in **Phnom Penh** on **January 28 2019** in four original copies in Khmer and English. The two texts are being of equal authenticity. This Memorandum of Understanding shall come into force from the date of signature.

FOR
The Phnom Penh Capital City



KHUONG SRENG
Governor of Phnom Penh Capital City
Kingdom of Cambodia

FOR
The City of Long Beach

Dr. Robert GARCIA
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