

RESOLUTION NO.: R-2013-112

Resolution to form a Sister City with Taichung City

WHEREAS, a significant portion of the population of the City of Columbia, South Carolina ("Columbia") has a common tie to Taiwan and the Pacific Rim; and,

WHEREAS, Columbia has a strong connection with Taichung City through its Mayor, The Honorable Jason C. Hu and Mr. Bob Chen who serves as Columbia's Honorary ambassador to Taiwan and the Pacific Rim; and

WHEREAS, Columbia has an opportunity to develop a cultural relationship with a strategic part of the world through a mutually beneficial partnership with Taichung City; and,

WHEREAS, Columbia and Taichung City have an opportunity to grow their economies through potential trade development; and,

WHEREAS, Columbia and Taichung City have an opportunity to benefit from exchanges in government, education and cultural activities; and,

WHEREAS, the Columbia World Affairs Council will help develop and sustain on-going communication and contact, and will help spearhead initial activities; NOW, THEREFORE,

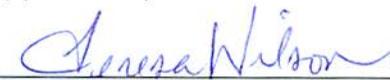
BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council this 4th day of March, 2014, that the City of Columbia hereby establishes a sister-city relationship with Taichung.

Requested by:

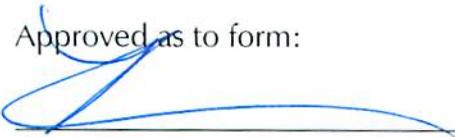
Mayor Benjamin


MAYOR

Approved by:


City Manager

Approved as to form:


City Attorney

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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Final Reading: 3/4/2014

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