CITY OF ALAMEDA RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION APPROVING GUIDELINES FOR THE SISTER CITY PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the people of the City of Alameda and its officials have enthusiastically endorsed the concept of forming sister city relations and affiliations with communities abroad with common concerns and mutual interests; and

WHEREAS, the Alameda Sister City Association, a member organization of Sister Cities International, was formed in 2009 by the city's Social Services and Human Relations Board to carry out a Sister City program; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Alameda Sister City Association, in accordance with the mission of Sister Cities International, is to promote peace through mutual respect, understanding, and cooperation one individual, one community at a time;

WHEREAS, the Alameda Sister City program works to promote cultural understanding and cooperation with cities around the world, and to strengthen international partnerships at the municipal and person-to-person levels; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alameda does recognize and endorse said non-political program with the hope that it will lead to creating goodwill and understanding between the peoples of Alameda and our sister cities; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the Alameda Sister City Association and City staff have worked closely together to develop formal guidelines for the Sister City program; and

WHEREAS, these guidelines provide a set of criteria for the adoption of new sister cities, and clarify and define the roles of the City and ASCA in sister city relationships.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALAMEDA;

Section 1. The Guidelines for the Sister City Program, attached as Exhibit 1, are approved.

Section 2. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted and passed by the City Council of the City of Alameda at a

regular meeting assembled on the 17th day of October, 2017, by the following vote to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said City Council this 18th day of October, 2017.

Lara Weisiger, City Clerk City of Alameda

Approved as to Form:

Janet C. Kern, City Attorney City of Alameda