

RESOLUTION NO. 25-97

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SISTER CITY PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF ILOILO, PHILIPPINES, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.

WHEREAS, the Sister City program in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is managed by Greater Fort Lauderdale Sister Cities International, Inc. ("GFLSCI"), a nonprofit organization dedicated to fostering citizen diplomacy and building partnerships between the City of Fort Lauderdale and international communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Iloilo, Philippines, has expressed its interest and willingness to enter into a Sister City partnership with the City of Fort Lauderdale; and

WHEREAS, on May 28, 2025, the Sangguniang Panlungsod (City Council) of the City of Iloilo, Philippines, adopted Resolution No. 2025-518, authorizing Mayor Jerry P. Treñas to sign the Amended Memorandum of Understanding, to be entered into by and between the Iloilo City Government and the City of Fort Lauderdale, as Represented by its Mayor, Dean J. Trantalis, Relative to the Establishment of a Sister City Partnership; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that a sister city partnership with the City of Iloilo, Philippines, would promote common prosperity and development by organizing, on the basis of equality, mutual benefit and goodwill, cultural exchanges, and other information sharing that may include art, business and commerce, culture, governmental administration, health and sports interest, history, science, and other information sharing; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that a sister city partnership with the City of Iloilo, Philippines, would advance the economic, social, cultural, and political interests of both cities; and

WHEREAS, a sister city partnership with the City of Iloilo, Philippines, would prioritize key areas in government management such as disaster risk reduction management, tourism, economic development and investment, and environmental initiatives;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That a Memorandum of Understanding for the Establishment of a Sister City Partnership between the City of Iloilo, Philippines, and the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is hereby approved in substantially the form attached to Commission Agenda Memo #25-0650, ("MOU"), and the Mayor is authorized to execute the MOU.

ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.



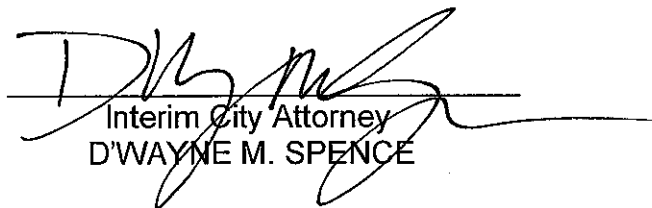
Mayor  
DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:



City Clerk  
DAVID R. SOLOMAN

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND CORRECTNESS:



Interim City Attorney  
D'WAYNE M. SPENCE

Dean J. Trantalis Yea

John C. Herbst Yea

Steven Glassman Yea

Pamela Beasley-Pittman Yea

Ben Sorensen Yea