



RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHING A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH ZHANGZHOU, FUJIAN PROVINCE, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

WHEREAS, Resolution 91-240 established guidelines for the City and County of Honolulu ("Honolulu") that govern the establishment of its sister city relationships, as amended by Resolutions 03-52 and 12-21; and

WHEREAS, the guidelines provide that a sister city relationship may be established with another city that shares a direct historical, cultural, or ethnic relationship; offers educational and technological assistance to Honolulu's business, industries, and labor force; offers the exchange of ideas and solutions based on similarities in population size or character; or has common bonds that are mutually beneficial to the citizens of both cities; and

WHEREAS, the guidelines also provide that the number of sister cities from any one country be limited to eight; and

WHEREAS, since the inception of the sister city program more than fifty years ago, Honolulu has established sister city ties with several international cities, of which five are cities in the People's Republic of China: Chengdu, Fengxian, Haikou, Qinhuangdao and Zhongshan; and

WHEREAS, Zhangzhou is a rapidly growing coastal city within the province of Fujian and is home to approximately 4.7 million residents; and

WHEREAS, similar to Hawaii, Zhangzhou is a popular tourist destination well known for its seaside scenery, floral and fruit gardens, pleasant climate and natural beauty; and

WHEREAS, Zhangzhou shares economic and cultural similarities with Honolulu, including a major sea port used for foreign trade and is the ancestral hometown for many Chinese residing in the United States and Chinese American families; and

WHEREAS, the official municipal flower of Zhangzhou is the Narcissus, which grows abundantly in Zhangzhou's flower fields, and that same flower is an important cultural symbol for Honolulu's Chinese American community, as evidenced by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Honolulu naming its annual lunar new year celebratory festival, "The Narcissus Festival"; and



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WHEREAS, the Council believes that these cultural ties and the potential for mutual educational, economic, and technological assistance and exchange of ideas serve as a strong foundation for a close sister city relationship; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it supports the establishment of a sister city relationship with Zhangzhou, Fujian Province, People's Republic of China; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu is requested to prepare and enter into an agreement with the Mayor of Zhangzhou, Fujian Province, People's Republic of China to formalize the sister city relationship; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sister city agreement shall be consistent with the policies of Resolutions 91-240, 03-52 and 12-21, as amended; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, and the Mayor of Zhangzhou, Fujian Province, People's Republic of China.

INTRODUCED BY:

[Signature]

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

SEP 04 2012
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

CITY COUNCIL
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII
CERTIFICATE

RESOLUTION 12-236

Introduced: 09/04/12 By: STANLEY CHANG

Committee: EXECUTIVE MATTERS
AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

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Voting Legend: Y= Aye, Y* = Aye w/Reservations, N = No, A = Absent, ABN = Abstain

EXECUTIVE 09/18/12 CR-324 – RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION.
MATTERS AND
LEGAL AFFAIRS

COUNCIL 10/03/12 CR-324 AND RESOLUTION 12-236 WERE ADOPTED.

ANDERSON	Y	BERG	Y	CACHOLA	Y	CHANG	Y	GARCIA	Y
HARIMOTO	Y	KOBAYASHI	Y	MARTIN	Y				

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.


BERNICE K. N. MAU, CITY CLERK


ERNEST Y. MARTIN, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER