



A Sister City Agreement

An agreement between the Cities of
Tepatitlán, Jalisco, México and
Madison, Wisconsin, United States of America

Considering:

The decision of the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Madison to establish a Sister City relationship with the City of Tepatitlán; and

The mutual desire on the part of the residents of both cities to develop friendly relations and cooperate in areas of mutual interest; and

That both cities share the principle that relations between nations and cities ought to be founded on a foundation of respect for each other's sovereignty, independence, and right to self-determination, and that their differences resolved through dialogue and peaceful means; and

That by virtue of this Sister City agreement, both cities also wish to make modest contribution to promote friendship, understanding, and respect between our people and countries.

Therefore, the representatives of the City of Madison and the City of Tepatitlán do hereby sign this Sister City agreement, which stipulates that:

The Cities of Tepatitlán and Madison will maintain links of friendship and cooperation through such means and resources as are available, and particularly through:

- Exchange of Delegations representing such fields as administration, agriculture, business, education, health care and wellness, science and veterinary medicine;
- Exchanges of Art, Cultural exhibits and activities;
- Exchanges of youth groups;
- Exchange of Information about the life of our communities, our people and our governments, with the aim of sharing experiences and knowledge in the development of local economies, education, public health and welfare, culture, art, environmental

- Protection, historical preservation, biotechnology, and community and consumer based services.
- Assistance and promotion of community organizations such as friendship societies, educational and workplace associations, and any organization which promotes friendship, cooperation, and respect, and
- Promotion of mutual business development and trade opportunities between Madison and Tepatitlán.

The elected representatives of the cities of Tepatitlán and Madison will each designate a collaboration committee that will promote these goals, which in turn will determine each year specific exchange projects and any other manner of cooperation.

The Sister City agreement was passed by unanimous voice vote by the Madison Common Council on _____, 2014, and signed by Mayor Paul Soglin on _____, 2014. This Memorandum is signed by the elected representatives of Tepatitlán and Madison, and by the local volunteer organizations to ratify the commitment to the stipulations herein.

THE CITY OF MADISON BY:

El Honorable Jorge Eduardo González Arana
Presidente del Ayuntamiento
Tepatitlán de Morelos, Jalisco, México

Paul R. Soglin, Mayor

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Tepatitlán de Morelos, Jal. México

Maribeth Witzel-Behl, City Clerk

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Representative
Madison-Tepatitlán Sister Cities Committee

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Approved as to Form:

Michael P. May, City Attorney

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