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Notes:

**Enactment Date:** Sponsors: Satya V. Rhodes Conway, David J. Cieslewicz, Tim

Bruer and Marsha A. Rummel

Attachments: Original Resolution 12443 ,Substitute 12443 ,2nd

Amended Resolution 44,907 ,Resolution 58,852

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## **History of Legislative File**

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1	Council Office	10/22/2008	Referred for Introduction				
	Action Text: Notes:	This Resolution was Ref Common Council Organiz					
1	COMMON COUN	NCIL 10/28/2008	Referred	COMMON COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONA L COMMITTEE		12/02/2008	
	Action Text: Notes:	This Resolution was Re	ferred to the COMMON C	OUNCIL ORGANIZATIO	NAL COMMIT	ΓEE	
3	COMMON COUN ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE		RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER				Pass

**Action Text:** 

Ald. Brenda Konkel made a motion to amend the language in the following BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED clause to read: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Committee is made of a representative (vs. representatives) from each of the ten Sister City Committees, the Madison Common Council, the Greater Madison Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Greater Madison Chamber of Commerce and the Madison Arts Commission and three (3) (added) representatives from humanitarian, cultural and educational groups, and,

The motion was considered friendly by Ald. Satya Rhodes-Conway. A motion as amended was made by Ald. Satya Rhodes Conway, seconded by Ald. Mark Clear, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL WITH THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by the following vote:

Notes:

Excused: 1 Michael E. Verveer

Ayes: 6 Tim Bruer; Mark Clear; Brenda K. Konkel; Satya V. Rhodes Conway;

Robbie Webber and Michael Schumacher

Noes: 1 Judy Compton

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# Text of Legislative File 12443

### **Fiscal Note**

No appropriation required.

#### **Title**

SECOND SUBSTITUTE - That the City of Madison works with its 10 Sister City committees to strengthen and reinvigorate Sister City partnerships through the creation of an ad hoc governing committee designed to raise the profile and expand the benefits of these relationships.

#### Body

WHEREAS, on September 6, 1988, under Mayor F. Joseph Sensenbrenner, Jr., the Madison Common Council approved Second Amended Resolution Number 44,907, ID Number 2567 developing a process for creating sister city agreements; and,

WHEREAS, in 1988 the first Sister City agreement with Freiburg, Germany was approved; and,

WHEREAS, since that time eleven sister city relationships have been approved under this resolution, including, in alphabetical order: Ainaro, East Timor; Arcatao, El Salvador; Bac Giang, Vietnam; Camaguey, Cuba; Cusco, Peru; Freiburg, Germany; Managua, Nicaragua; Mantova, Italy; Obihiro, Japan; Oslo, Norway; and Vilnius, Lithuania; and,

WHEREAS, numerous delegations from the City of Madison have traveled to sister cities to formalize sister city agreements, meet local <u>residents</u>, <u>organizations and</u> dignitaries, <u>provide humanitarian assistance</u>, <u>enjoy cultural exchanges</u>, share policy ideas, establish <u>organizational and</u> business partnerships, <u>and foster international awareness</u>, <u>understanding and solidarity</u>; and,

WHEREAS, as recently as June 2008 Mayor Dave Cieslewicz and City staff joined a delegation from the Madison-Freiburg Sister City Partnership to experience Freiburg, Germany; and,

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2001 under Mayor Susan J.M. Bauman, the Madison Common Council approved Resolution Number 58,852, ID Number 30500 establishing the Sister City grant program and evaluation; and,

WHEREAS, since the creation of the Sister City grant program local Sister City groups have

benefited from these collaborations and experiences; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor's Office proudly displays numerous gifts from our Sister Cities depicting local art, culture, and civic pride; and,

WHEREAS, Madison residents, <u>organizations, cultural, humanitarian and educational</u> <u>programs</u> and businesses stand to benefit from greater knowledge of these partnerships; <u>and</u>,

WHEREAS, Madison has historically been a center of international solidarity, cross-cultural and humanitarian efforts,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a Sister City Collaboration **Board Committee** be established and coordinated by the Mayor's Office;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the <u>Board Committee</u> is made up of <u>a</u> representatives from each of the ten Sister City Committees, the Madison Common Council, the Greater Madison Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Greater Madison Chamber of Commerce, <u>and</u> the Madison Arts Commission <u>and three (3)</u> representatives from humanitarian, cultural and <u>educational groups</u>, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the **Board Committee** would be tasked with raising the profile of Madison Sister City partnerships, **making connections with cultural, educational and humanitarian programs,** setting and achieving fundraising goals (including considering hosting an annual fundraising event), maximizing educational and business opportunities for Madison companies in the regions or countries of our Sister Cities, reviewing inactive Sister City partnerships, exploring potential for joint initiatives, and setting criteria for the addition of new Sister City partnerships.