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Madison Sister City Collaboration Committee, Madison Common Council, City of Madison Madison, WI 53703 www.cityofmadison.com

Re: Letter of Commitment to Support the Sister City Initiative between Madison and Bahir Dar City

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Organization for Rehabilitation and Development in Amhara (ORDA) is pleased to send this exclusive letter of commitment to support the sister City initiative between Madison and Bahir Dar City to collaborate on the area of Culture, Education, Public health, Economic Development, Government and Sustainable Environment.

ORDA is one of the largest local NGO in Ethiopia, established in 1984. It has more than 33 years holistic development experience in Amhara region, Ethiopia. Its ultimate objective is to contribute for the overall efforts of ensuring food, livelihood & environmental security of the government that realizes sustainable development and social transformation. ORDA is a stable and persistently growing organization conferred with marvelous development achievements in its areas of specialties:- Sustainable Environment, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), Irrigation, Urban and Rural Agriculture, Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), Youth Enterprise and Private Sector Development programs along with Mainstreaming of Gender, HIV/AIDS, Nutrition, Disability & Climate Change.

ORDA and Mayor of Bahir Dar City has longing lasting partnership and ORDA has implemented different projects including, "Millennium Development Goals (MDG) Sanitation: Whole Sanitation Chain Programfor the Poor in Urban and Peri-Urban of Amhara" implemented from December 19, 2012 - December 18, 2017 with a total budget of €3,333,400. With this project ORDA has benefitted above 137,000 of the City people by constructing integrated sanitation facilities and large scale water supplying schemes, providing Vacuum Trucks, small motorized Lories, Motorcycles, establishing small and micro enterprise and other capacity building supports.

Therefore, with this rich experience and good partnership with the Mayor of the City, ORDA has keen interest to support the initiative of the sister City program to work on promoting the development of Culture, Education, Public Health, Economic Development, Government and Sustainable Environment.

Sincerely,

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