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11/20/2018	1	COMMON COUNCIL	Adopt Under Suspension of Rules 2.04, 2.05, 2.24, and 2.25	Pass
10/30/2018	1	COMMON COUNCIL	Refer to a future Meeting to Adopt	Pass
10/23/2018	1	Mayor's Office	Referred for Introduction	

**Fiscal Note**

No appropriation required.

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**Body**

WHEREAS, the cities of Bahir Dar and Madison desire to develop friendly relations and cooperation to advance the mutual interests, benefits, and aspirations of residents of both cities; and,

WHEREAS, the cities of Bahir Dar and Madison share many similarities, including being the capital cities of their respective region and state; and,

WHEREAS, Bahir Dar is home to the largest lake in Ethiopia and Madison is home to five lakes; and,

WHEREAS, the cities of Bahir Dar and Madison are both home to large, public universities; and,

WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin-Madison and Bahir Dar University have been fostering a partnership for several years; and,

WHEREAS, the sister city partnership will promote the development of programs in several areas, including education, public health, economic development and sustainability; and,

WHEREAS, friendship unites people of all ages and backgrounds and thereby, culturally enriches the lives of residents of both cities; and,

WHEREAS, the Madison Common Council believes that the proposed sister city relationship between the cities of Madison and Bahir Dar will promote and facilitate a greater understanding of the cultural ideals of the two communities and their residents,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Madison Common Council establishes a sister city relationship between the cities of Madison, Wisconsin in the United States and Bahir Dar, Amhara Region in Ethiopia and authorizes the Mayor to execute a sister city agreement to establish that relationship.