



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

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Title

Extending condolences and sympathies to the country of Ethiopia and Madison's Sister City Bahir Dar on the loss of lives in the March 9, 2019 airline crash in Ethiopia.

Body

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2018 the city established a sister city relationship with Bahir Dar, Amhara Region in Ethiopia with the desire to develop friendly relations and cooperation to advance the mutual interests, benefits, and aspirations of residents of both cities; and,

WHEREAS, on Sunday, March 9, 2019 an Ethiopian Airlines plane, that was en route to Kenya, crashed shortly after takeoff killing all 157 passengers on board, near Bishoftu, south of Addis Ababa, in Ethiopia; and,

WHEREAS, the crash tragically killed 157 people that included seven crew members and passengers from 35 nations, in which eight passengers were United States citizens, nine citizens of Ethiopia and 22 United Nations workers,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Common Council extend their heartfelt condolences and sympathies to the Ethiopian community, and our sister city Bahir Dar, in recognition that we are all impacted by this tragic and sad loss of lives; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Mayor, Common Council, staff and others will stand for a moment of silence in honor of the victims of this tragic airline crash.