



Memorandum of Agreement on Sister Communities Relationship



This MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT on SISTER COMMUNITIES RELATIONSHIPS is executed by and between:

City of New Westminster, British Columbia, CANADA, as represented in this act by Jonathan X Coté, City Mayor and

Tsilhqot'in Nation, represented by:

Xeni Gwet'in First Nations Government,
Yunešit'in Government,
Tl'etinqox Government,
?Esdilagh First Nation,
Tsideldel First Nation,
Tl'esqox (Toosey Indian Band), and
the Tsilhqot'in National Government

WHEREAS, there exists a mutual desire for closer relations between the parties for mutual benefit;

AND WHEREAS, it is the desire of the parties to help and co-operate in advancing the cause of reconciliation and understanding;

And WHEREAS, the Tsilhqot'in War Chief ?Ahan was wrongfully arrested, tried and executed in 1865 in the aftermath of the Chilcotin War, and the site of his burial in New Westminster is of special cultural, spiritual and historical significance to the Tsilhqot'in Nation;

AND WHEREAS, the establishment of sister communities relationships will result in the advancement of the cause of goodwill and friendship;

AND WHEREAS, this relationship will bring into fruition the immense benefits of people-to-people activities by way of friendly exchanges in diverse governmental, educational, scientific, business, and commercial endeavours;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the above premises, the Leadership of both parties hereunto affix their signatures and with this Memorandum of Understanding, which is written in the Tsilhqot'in language and English, with 2 copies each, and with both having equal effect forthwith, firmly bind their respective communities as SISTER COMMUNITIES, with the inherent commitment to work together and support each other for the enrichment of both communities and our respectful relationship to each other.

Mayor Jonathan X. Coté
City of New Westminster, British Columbia, Canada

WITNESSES

Jacque Killawee, City Clerk
City of New Westminster

Jenny Philbrick, Executive Director
Tsilhqot'in National Government

Signed this day

Nits'il?in (Chief) Joe Alphonse
Tl'etinqox Government, TNG Tribal Chair

Nits'il?in Roy Stump
?Esdilagh First Nation

Nits'il?in Lennon Solomon
Yunešit'in Government

Nits'il?in Jimmy Lulua
**Xeni Gwet'in First Nations Government,
TNG Interim Vice-Chair**

Nits'il?in Francis Laceese
Tl'esqox (Toosey Indian Band)

Nits'il?in Otis Guichon
Tsideldel First Nation



T̄silhqút'ín Dení Bélh New Westminister Déstl'és Ch'ed ?Elhélh Níjégwétát'áh



Néndén gubeghuzí bíd gágjegwetalilh:

New Westminister nágúwelhnagh Jonathan X Cote ?éyen British Columbia, bélh Canada
gúbah beghuzí bíd gágjegwetalilh
Hínk'an

T̄silhqút'ín ?Elhélh Déní, gubah gágjegwetalilh ?éyen:
Xeni Gwet'in First Nations Government,
Yunesit'in Government,
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Néndúwh gágjunt'ih tah gwaneš, guzun jíd ?élhélh ?áteghút'ánx gweqa guzun jíd ?élhélh
?ánaghút'in gúžít'in;

Néndúwh gágjunt'ih tah gwaneš, lha ?egun jíd ?élhts'én tégwedezagħit'álh ?éyed gúžén jíd
?élhélh gúzun nagughultsílh gúžít'in;

Néndúwh gágjunt'ih tah gwaneš, Nits'il?in ?Ahan ?eyen bedení bélh Midugh jughinlht'i
gwaneš ts'ínlħchúd, ch'áts'édulax níjéguwéni?an hínk'an náts'aghinlbál, ?éyed lha ?egun
hílh háts'ínlágh, hínk'an nénján New Westminister gúts'aghinlhtin. T̄silhqút'ín ?élhélh déni
jedlin ?Ahan gúts'aghinlhtin ?éyed ?inlhés gunchágh jíd jégwedilħtí;

Néndúwh gágjunt'ih tah gwaneš, ?élhélh néndúwh gágulyágh ?eguh gúžén jíd ?élhts'én gúzun
nagwetadlāx;

Néndúwh gágjunt'ih tah gwaneš, ?elhts'én gánit'ih gwaneš nénján gúžén guzun jíd ?élhts'én
tégwedaghít'álh, gán néndid ?élhélh gwáyaltig ?éyed gwets'enz gúzun jíd déni tagħadlılh.

?Egú, néndid destl'és Midugh ch'ih hínk'an T̄silhqút'ín ch'ih jid-ġwédinlah, nánqih
?élħgħelħchih, ?anħħi t'íd nénkedan bēghad ?ágħu?ih, ?eyi xúgweldinh gwegħad déni
?agħandés nájedilhyah ?éyen gubegħuzi jijedu?álh. ?Eyi begħad yádi ?elħjil?in gúzun jíd
?élhélh ?ánajżetat?in ?egun jéġwenentalht'í.

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