

RESOLUTION NO. 620

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, ESTABLISHING SISTER CITY AFFILIATION WITH WORLD CULTURAL INTERACTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENCOURAGING CULTURAL YOUTH EXCHANGE ACTIVITIES DURING THE SUMMER OF 2004 WITH TAKUMA, JAPAN.

WHEREAS, the citizens of Gig Harbor have demonstrated a desire to learn more about the people of other cities throughout the world and enhance international communication and understanding; and

WHEREAS, World Cultural interaction has established a program to conduct direct contact, communication and coordination with the people of Takuma, Japan, for the purposes of cultural enrichment of youth in the respective cities during the summer of 2004; and

WHEREAS, the WCI will maintain a commitment to the facilitation of human rights in its development of this program; and

WHEREAS, the has filed a complete application for a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that will meet the requirements of City of Gig Harbor Resolution 601, Section 2: Criteria for Establishing and Maintaining Sister City Relationships; and

WHEREAS, a program of international youth exchange in the arts will offer significant cultural exchange opportunities to enhance mutual understanding of the world's cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gig Harbor has an on-going, informal relationship with Takuma, Japan:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON:

Section 1: Funding. The 2004 pilot WCI youth exchange program may request the Mayor of the City of Gig Harbor and receive General Fund support through contract approved by the City Council in an amount not to exceed a total of \$5000.

Section 2: City Council Liaison.

The City of Gig Harbor hereby appoints Councilmember Bob Dick as the City Council liaison to the 2004 WCI pilot international youth exchange program. Councilmember Dick will coordinate with in-state WCI international youth exchange program activities during the summer of 2004.

Section 3: City Staff Liaison.

The city staff liaison to the WCI pilot international youth exchange program activities during the summer of 2004 will be City of Gig Harbor Marketing Director Laureen Lund.

Section 4: Effective Date. The funding support, procedures and responsibilities established herein shall be applicable only to this WCI international youth exchange program during the fiscal budget year 2004.

RESOLVED this 22nd day of March, 2004.

APPROVED:

Gretchen A. Wilbert, Mayor

ATTEST / AUTHENTICATED:

Molly M. Towslee, City Clerk

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