

RESOLUTION NO. 2014- 094

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE SISTER CITY PROGRAM OF COCOA FLORIDA, INC.'S HOSTING OF THE HOLOCAUST MUSEUM IN CENTRAL FLORIDA ON APRIL 19, 2015; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT RESOLUTIONS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Sister Cities International was created at President Eisenhower's 1956 White House conference on citizen diplomacy in order to establish greater friendship and understanding between the people of the United States and other nations; and

**WHEREAS**, since its founding, Sister Cities International is one of only a few organizations in the United States that has had Presidents Kennedy, Johnson, Ford, Reagan, Bush, Clinton, Bush and now President Obama as honorary chairmen; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sister City Program of Cocoa Florida, Inc., ("**Sister City Program**") is a member of Sister Cities International; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sister City Program is deeply respected in our community, in the State of Florida, and internationally; and

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Association of Sister Cities recently recognized the Sister City Program for its plans to host the Holocaust Museum in Central Florida for a special exhibition April 19, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to acknowledge its support of the Sister City Program in hosting the Holocaust Museum in Central Florida on April 19, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council hereby deems this Resolution to be in the best interests of the citizens of the City of Cocoa.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, as follows:**

**Section 1. Recitals.** The above recitals are hereby deemed true and correct and by this reference are fully incorporated herein as part of this resolution.


**Section 2. Support of Sister City Program of Cocoa Florida, Inc.'s Traveling Holocaust Museum Project.** The City Council hereby acknowledges its support of the Sister City Program's plans to host the Holocaust Museum, which was created by youth from Spindale, North Carolina, in Central Florida on April 19, 2015.


**Section 3. Repeal of Prior Inconsistent Resolutions.** All prior inconsistent resolutions adopted by the City Council are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

**Section 4. Severability.** If any section, clause, phrase, word, or provision is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, whether for substantive or procedural reasons, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council of the City of Cocoa, Florida.

**ADOPTED** at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Cocoa, Florida, assembled this 26<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2014.

  
Henry U. Parrish III, Mayor

ATTEST:   
Joan Clark, MMC, City Clerk