

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-306

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

August 14, 2012

ENDORISING THE SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SACRAMENTO AND ASHKELON

BACKGROUND

- A. It is recognized that the friendship and understanding between individuals and organizations of Sister Cities bring benefits that are enduring and mutually rewarding.
- B. The City of Sacramento has benefited from having Sister Cities in Europe, Asia, on the Pacific Rim, in Central America, and the Middle East.
- C. On December 9, 2009, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2009-777, which endorsed the intent to formalize a Sister City relationship with an Israeli city under the guidance of the Sacramento Sister Cities Council.
- D. Citizens of the Sacramento region have formed the Sacramento to Ashkelon Sister City Initiative, to work within parameters of the Sister City traditions and encourage friendship between our two cities through people-to-people exchanges, e.g., students, artists, healthcare providers, agriculture, business, and environmental innovators.
- E. It is the intent of those involved in the Sacramento to Ashkelon Sister City Initiative to be inclusive of the citizens of Sacramento, including the diverse cultural and religious communities in the area.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The Sacramento City Council gives its endorsement to the affiliation of the City of Sacramento and the City of Ashkelon as Sister Cities.
- Section 2. The City Clerk shall cause copies of this Resolution to be sent to the Mayor of Ashkelon and to Sister Cities International in Washington, D.C.

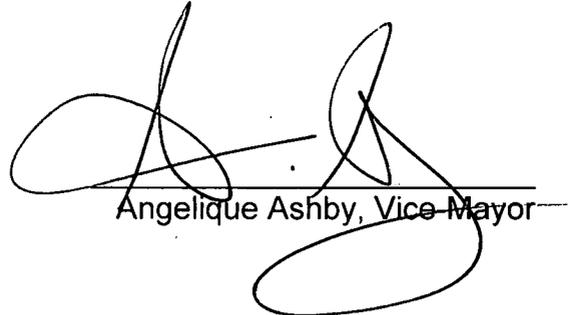
Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on August 14, 2012 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Ashby, Cohn, D Fong, R Fong, McCarty, Pannell, Schenirer, Sheedy.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Mayor Johnson.



Angelique Ashby, Vice Mayor

Attest:



Shirley Concolino, City Clerk