

**CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA
RESOLUTION 2015-44**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING THE CITY OF LOIRI PORTO SAN PAOLO, ITALY AS A SISTER CITY, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACT AS THE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CITY OF MARATHON WITH REGARD THERETO; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Sister City concept was established to foster greater friendship and understanding between the people of the United States and other nations through the medium of direct personal contact; and

WHEREAS, to implement the program, the City of Marathon and other communities in the United States have been requested to affiliate with cities in other nations of similar characteristics and mutual interests; and

WHEREAS, the City of Loiri Porto San Paolo, Italy has indicated a desire that the city join with the City of Marathon as a Sister City and to participate in the Sister City program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marathon and the City of Loiri San Paolo may benefit from mutual goals including economic development, cultural understanding and educationally-based exchanges and activities that promote a greater understanding of one-another's cultures and history.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. That the City of Loiri Porto San Paolo, Italy is hereby designated as a Sister City of the City of Marathon for the purpose of creating greater mutual understanding between the people of our two great cities and nations.

Section 3. The Mayor is hereby authorized to act as official representative of the City of Marathon to carry out this resolution and to enter into the Partnership Agreement with the City of Loiri Porto San Paolo, Italy.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THIS 28TH DAY OF APRIL, 2015.

THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA



Chris Bull, Mayor

AYES: Keating, Kelly, Senmartin, Zieg, Bull
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

ATTEST:



Diane Clavier, City Clerk

(City Seal)

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA ONLY:



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**THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, USA and COMUNE DI LOIRI PORTO
SAN PAOLO, SARDINIA, ITALY
PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT**

The Cities of Marathon, Florida, USA and Loiri Porto San Paolo, Italy, in accordance with the sister cities movement, do hereby agree to promote, support, and encourage exchanges and cooperative activities between the citizens of each community.

These exchanges and activities shall be based on shared goals of economic development, cultural understanding, and educationally-based exchanges and activities that promote better understanding of one-another's cultures and history.

In pursuit of these shared goals, our cities shall:

- Encourage study abroad programs between our local educational institutions and charitable groups (ie: Rotary Club, Sister City International, United Way);
- Explore cooperation and exchange between local development agencies, chambers of commerce, and tourism departments;
- Provide and encourage exchanges, trades and/or exhibits of art and cultural products between our respective museums and galleries
- Prioritize municipal exchanges in the areas of water and environmental management, conservation, and other government initiatives that each partner may learn and/or benefit from

The aforementioned activities are to be organized and managed by a body of members, or a "sister city committee," that will represent the respective cities. A periodic report of the progress and status of programs developed may be provided to each city government as deemed necessary.

In all activities each side will endeavor to ensure mutual benefit for each city, and shall draw on its institutions, social organizations, and citizens to promote cooperation. All activities shall also be subject to availability of resources and annual budgets, and each party expressly understands that this agreement does not constitute a financial commitment on behalf of the cities.

The agreement has been made in two forms, one in English and one in Italian, each one being equally authentic.

We hereby pledge to cooperate with each other as Sister Cities on this __ day of 12.06, 2015

THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA

**CITY OF LOIRI PORTO SAN PAOLO,
ITALY**


Chris Bull, Mayor


Mayor Giuseppe Meloni
Print Name:
Title: