

# City of Minneapolis

## Request for Committee Action

**To:** Committee of the Whole  
**Date:** 7/20/2016  
**Referral:** N/A  
**From:** City Clerk's Office  
**Lead Staff:** Casey Joe Carl  
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**File Type:** Resolution  
**Subcategory:** Honorary Resolution

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**Subject:**

Tours France Sister City honorary resolution

**Description:**

Passage of Resolution commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the sister-city relationship with Tours, France.

**Previous Actions:**

A formal sister-city relationship between the cities of Minneapolis and Tours, France, was established in 1991 in coordination with Sister Cities International. To commemorate the 25th anniversary of this relationship, a delegation of officials from Tours will be visiting Minneapolis July 16-21 to participate in Minneapolis Sister Cities Day and related events and activities.

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**Ward/Address:**

Not Applicable

**Background/Analysis:**

A delegation from Tours, France, will be in Minneapolis to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the establishment of a sister-city relationship through Sister Cities International. Founded in 1956, Sister Cities International is a non-partisan, non-profit organization that unites a network of tens of thousands of citizen diplomats, government officials, and volunteers in more than 570 member communities, supporting more than 2,300 formalized partnerships in 150 countries located on six continents.

Minneapolis has been a strong participant in Sister Cities International, and has benefited from its formal partnerships with several sister cities, including Tours, France. This presentation honors the long-standing relationship between Minneapolis and Tours and looks forward to many more years of successful exchanges, cooperation, and mutual benefit in the areas of business, culture, and tourism as well as education, sports, urban planning, and technology.

**Financial Review:**

**No financial impact.**

**Attachments:**

1. Honorary Resolution