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PROCLAMATION

COMMENDATION OF DONALD E. WILLIS ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AS PRESIDENT OF SISTER CITIES YORKTOWN

WHEREAS, Donald E. Willis became a member of Sister Cities Yorktown 28 years ago and has held the duties of Vice President for four years and Acting President for ten years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Willis was born in Germany, attended first and second grade in France, then moved to Hampton, Virginia, after short stops in Ft. Hamilton, New York, and San Antonio, Texas; and

WHEREAS, he attended undergraduate school at Virginia Tech, where he was a member of the Corps of Cadets and received his Bachelor's Degree in Sociology, and then continued his education in graduate school at Old Dominion University, where he received his Master of Urban Studies; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Willis retired as Chief of Operations in 2004 after working 30 years for Court Services and Juvenile Services, then subsequently working for the Newport News Department of Juvenile Justice, administrating a grant from the Anne E. Casey Foundation; and

WHEREAS, he traveled to Zweibrucken, Germany as part of a Yorktown Delegation, and coordinated exchange students from Germany to Yorktown while working for the York County Department of Community Services; and

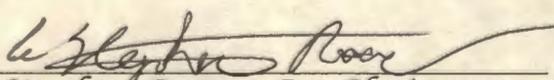
WHEREAS, in the past, Donald Willis attended the Sister Cities International Conference in San Jose, California, and he recently visited Port Vendres, France, on the occasion of their 200th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Willis has performed his duties with the highest level of commitment and integrity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the York County Board of Supervisors that Mr. Donald E. Willis be, and he is hereby commended on the occasion of his retirement, for his dedication, loyalty, and commitment throughout his 28 years of service to Sister Cities Yorktown.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the County of York, Virginia, to be affixed this 5th day of March, 2024.




G. Stephen Roane, Jr., Chairman
York County Board of Supervisors