

OPC-DPS 23 TOOLKIT: ADDENDUM A

SAMPLE – HOST CITY OPC-DPS 23 OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION



60 Host Cities • 1 Unifying Message • 1 Single Day (June 24, 2023)

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“See far, speak out, act firm.”-- Pierre de Coubertin

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[Date June 24, 2023, ... or other]

Whereas... For over 125 years, the goal of the modern Olympic movement has been to build ‘a more peaceful and better world’ in sport and life by educating youth and others through sport, by bringing together athletes from many countries in friendly competition, and by forging new relationships bound by the principles of ‘Fair Play’;

Whereas... The spirit of the Olympic and Paralympic movements lives strong in [CITY _____] through our collective actions to host the [Name of Past/Future Games _____], support Olympic and Paralympic sport, promote physical fitness and public participation in sport, and assist organizations and persons developing access to sport for all able-bodied and disabled individuals;

Whereas... The City of [CITY _____] encourages its citizens and visitors, young and old, to embrace **Olympic & Paralympic Spirit** in sport and life as embodied in the following principles:

- The Olympic & Paralympic **VALUES** - *Inspiration, Excellence, Courage, Respect, Determination Friendship, Equality.*
- The Olympic **MISSION** - “*To educate youth through sport to contribute to building a better and more peaceful world*”.
- The Olympic **MOTTO** - To encourage every child and human being to dream “*Faster, Higher, Stronger – Together!*” – regardless of race, creed, gender, nationality, or social position.

Whereas... The Olympic and Paralympic Games serve to demonstrate and inspire the best of humanity while fostering inspiration and imagination in a world yearning for heroes, mentors, and role models;

Whereas... June 23 is celebrated annually and globally through ‘Olympic Day’ events and proclamations commemorating the anniversary of the founding of the modern Olympic movement in 1894 when the Congress of Paris approved Pierre de Coubertin’s proposal to relaunch the Games and engage nations on friendly playing fields versus antagonistic battlefields.

Now Therefore... I, _____, Mayor [or other authority] of [CITY _____], do hereby authorize the following actions to:

- Proclaim [Date ____ June 24, 2023... or other] as the official **Olympic Cities Day of Peace & Solidarity 2023** in [CITY _____] acknowledging and affirming in this proclamation the values and ideals of Olympic and Paralympic Spirit for this day and all days forward.
- Join 60 potential Host Cities of the Olympic, Paralympic, and Youth Games (past and planned) in **OPC-DPS 23**.
- Call for supporting events and activities to mark **Olympic Cities Day of Peace & Solidarity 2023**, including but not limited to a symbolic (Re-) lighting of the Olympic and Paralympic flame in [CITY _____].

I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the [CITY _____] to be affixed this [Date ____ XX] day of June 2023.

Honorable Mayor [or other representative of the [CITY _____] for OPC-DPS 23 purposes]