

INTRODUCED: **JUL 24 2006**

A RESOLUTION No. 2006-R **118-126**

To amend Resolution No. 91-R180-207, adopted July 22, 1991, as previously amended by Resolution No. 92-R83-74, adopted April 13, 1992, by Resolution No. 96-R182-165, adopted November 11, 1996, and by Resolution No. 96-R213-191, adopted December 16, 1996 concerning the Sister Cities Commission, to provide that members shall be appointed by the Council.

Patrons – Vice President Jackson and Rev. McQuinn

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: **SEP 11 2006** AT 6 P.M.

WHEREAS sister city affiliations have already been established by many American cities;
and

WHEREAS the program of sister city affiliation is well-designed to develop understanding and tolerance and to broaden the horizons of the citizens of each affiliated community in culture, science, industry, and economy, thus promoting the social progress of the sister city, and raising the standards of living and judgment of the people of both cities; and

WHEREAS the City of Richmond stands to gain by making its many historical, architectural, educational, and cultural assets more widely known around the world through programs such as sister city affiliation;

AYES: 9 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: SEP 11 2006 REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND:

1. That there is hereby established a City of Richmond Sister Cities Commission.
2. The Commission shall develop and foster a sister city affiliation and program through the auspices of Sister Cities International or other qualified organizations.
3. The Commission shall be charged with strengthening the ties between the City of Richmond and any sister city or cities and making Richmond's many assets more widely known through sister city affiliation.
4. The Commission shall consist of nineteen members, of whom at least one shall be a Member of Council. The members shall be appointed by the ~~[Mayor, and confirmed by the]~~ Council, for a term consisting of three (3) years and no person appointed shall be eligible to serve more than two successive terms, although persons appointed to fill vacancies may serve two additional successive terms. Members appointed to the Commission shall either reside or work in the City of Richmond. ~~[The Mayor shall serve as an ex-officio member.]~~
5. The Commission shall report from time to time to Council on its activities.

A TRUE COPY:

TESTE:

Alan Jay - Chaves
CITY CLERK