

SISTER CITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON, D.C. GOVERNMENT AND GREATER ANKARA MUNICIPALITY

With the purpose of strengthening the connection between Washington, the District of Columbia and Ankara, Republic of Turkey, two capitals have agreed to become Sister Cities. This agreement will result in mutual cooperation in commonly agreed upon areas where projects will be developed and where each city can learn from other resulting in the strengthening of the friendship between two cities.

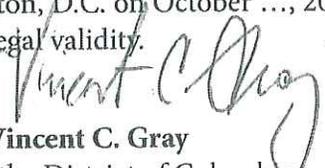
The Mayor of Washington, D.C. and the Mayor of Greater Ankara Municipality have agreed to sign The twinning agreement between Washington, D.C. and Ankara; the promotion of which shall be in the following ways:

1. Best practices will be shared in the area of technical expertise with respect to public transport, urban planning, protection of environment, health care and social projects; and
2. Student and other visits will be encouraged with the purpose of introducing the business, educational, social and cultural milieu of each to the other; and
3. Communication between those involved in economic development and job creation in each city will be instituted with the purpose of strengthening the economic relations and interchange between the two capital cities; and
4. Specific activities will ensue in the areas of sports, culture and education, especially among our youth, to develop closer ties between the two capital cities.

The Office of the Secretary, Protocol and International Affairs Office, and Foreign Relations Department of Greater Ankara Municipality shall be in charge of setting up committees, holding meetings for experts, coordinating, assessing and managing the implementation of this Agreement.

This Agreement comes into force when signed for an unlimited period unless one of the parties notifies the other in writing of its intention to terminate this agreement six months prior to the date of its termination. In such case the activities and projects already in progress or executed shall not be affected.

Signed in Washington, D.C. on October ..., 2011 in two original copies in English and Turkish. Both copies have equal legal validity.


Vincent C. Gray
Mayor of the District of Columbia


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Mayor of Ankara