



Agreement of Friendship and Cooperation Between the District of Columbia, United States of America, and the City of Tshwane, Republic of South Africa

The Mayor of the District of Columbia, Adrian M. Fenty, and Executive Mayor of the City of Tshwane, Dr. Gwen M. Ramokgopa:

- Guided by the traditional links of friendship and cooperation between the United States of America and Republic of South Africa and their respective capitals;
- Desiring further to advance the mutual interests and benefits of the citizens of both capital cities that were advanced by the first protocol agreement signed on June 28, 2002; and
- Aware that cities today constitute a vital factor in the sphere of international relations;

Hereby agree to the following:

Culture and Education

The two cities will promote the development of programs in the areas of arts and culture, sports, and tourism to share experiences and learn from each other. They will also promote educational exchanges between the administrators, teachers, and students of their schools and universities.

Economic Development

The two cities will promote collaboration and joint ventures among their local businesses, chambers of commerce, and entrepreneurs with a special focus on the growth and development of business investment, trade, and tourism.

Public Health

The two cities will promote the exchange of social development, health policies and best practices to strengthen the capacity and effectiveness of prevention and treatment programs, including reducing the threat of HIV/AIDS and other related diseases.

Public Safety

The two cities will exchange expertise and best practices in the areas of public safety administration and information technology to reduce urban crime.

Terms

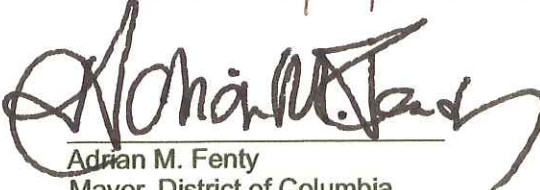
The two cities may develop additional programs for their mutual benefit.


This memorandum will be in force on the 15th September, 2008 for a period of two years. The cities will assess progress at the end of 2009.

The Office of the Secretary of the District of Columbia and the Governance and Secretariat Services office of the City of Tshwane are responsible for the implementation, follow-up, and supervision of the present protocol.

Signed by the Mayor of Washington, D.C. and the Executive Mayor of the City of Tshwane

on this 22nd day September 2008


Adrian M. Fenty
Mayor, District of Columbia


Dr. Gwen M. Ramokgopa
Executive Mayor, City of Tshwane