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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair Ron Menor

FROM: Chairman Emeritus Ernest Y. Martin

RE: Report Incheon Sister City Trip

Attached is my report from my participation in the Incheon Sister City Trip from May 14-19, 2017. The trip was hosted by the Incheon Metropolitan City Chairman Jegal Won Young and focused on furthering our sister city relationship.

If you have questions regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to call me directly.

Honolulu City Council Incheon Sister City Council Project
May 14-19, 2017
Incheon, South Korea

Monday, May 15, 2017

- ❖ Visit to the Incheon Metropolitan City Council, and meeting with trip host Council Chairman Jegal Won Young. Discussed furthering the Honolulu and Incheon Sister City relationship and to possibly work on projects to foster more interaction between the two cities. Met with Council members Il-Yong You, Youngae Park, Jeong-Bin Lim.

- ❖ Incheon Free Economic Zone, PR Center and U-City Management Center
The Incheon Free Economic Zone (IFEZ) is an area that supports business and economic activities of foreign investors. It is a zone designed to attract investors with rent reductions, tax subsidies, etc. The IFEZ began in August 2003 and is an international city incorporating areas of Songdo, Yeongjong, Cheongna International Cities, which also includes the Incheon International Airport and Ports. The IFEZ offers taxation support, free economic activities, and other administrative services. It is an international bridge for China and Japan. The area is centralized and has the potential to serve 2.9 million people in Incheon Metropolitan City, 23 million people in Seoul and the surrounding metropolitan areas.

Incheon Tourism Organization

Met with Joon Kee Hwang, President of the Incheon Tourism Organization, Kay Choi, Vice President of the Incheon Tourism Organization Marketing Division and Jong-Woo Park of LSHM Advertising. Hawaii and Incheon, South Korea shares similar aspects for tourism marketing such as the promotion of cultural opportunities, shopping and culinary experiences.

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

❖ Site Visits

Changdeokgung Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage Site is the second royal palace and is the best preserved of the Joseon palaces in Seoul. The palace is rich in cultural history and known for its architectural mastery and balance with nature.

Insa-dong is the one main road in the heart of the city with alleys on all sides. It serves as an excellent example of understanding the sensitive balance of preserving the rich, cultural history of an area and addressing the modern needs of a city. The area features traditional Korea art, tea shops and restaurants. The road closes to vehicular traffic on Saturday and Sunday and the streets fill with booths providing a fair and farmers market atmosphere.

Appujeong Rodeo Street is a modern shopping area similar to Kakaako with an infusion of trendy, cutting edge youth centric culture.

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

❖ Meeting with Pyeongtaek City Mayor Kong Jae Kwang

Pyeongtaek City is a city in Gyeonggi Province and encompasses Pyeongtaek Port, one of South Korea's four major ports, and is home to large manufacturers Samsung and LG Electronics. The city is becoming a leader in economic growth and development in South Korea. Met with Mayor Kong Jae Kwang and Gyeonggi Assembly members Jeffrey Choi and Lee Dong Hwa.

❖ Cheonan Ship and Pyeongtaek Port

Paid our respect to the military members that lost their lives on the Cheonan. The visit to the Cheonan Ship Memorial was a reminder of the unpredictability of North Korea's actions. The Cheonan was a naval vessel that was sunk by a North Korean torpedo in 2010.

Pyeongtaek Port is the closest port to China and the government spent over \$3 billion dollars from 2002-2011 to upgrade the port. It has become an essential economic hub.

Thursday, May 18, 2017

❖ Meeting with Incheon City Mayor Jeong-bok Yoo

Mayor Jeong-bok Yoo is dedicated to further expand on our sister city relationship. He believes the more our cities communicate on a variety of issues that the information garnered will be beneficial.

❖ Visit to Wolmi Korean Traditional Cultural Center and Jeondeungsa Temple

Wolmi Traditional Park was redeveloped by the city of Incheon as a community space in September 2001. City officials recognized the land's history and well-preserved, natural environment and transformed it into an ecological and historical area for the public. The space was further organized into areas like the Traditional Garden Section, which is home to a variety of gardens patterned after those of the past: Yangjindang (representing a typical Bukchon house where aristocratic families lived), Soswaewon (a main garden in Korea), Buyongji (replicating a pond in Changdeokgung Palace's Huwon), and Eryeonji (replicating a pond in Changdeokgung Palace's Huwon).

Jeondeungsa Temple is located in Samrangseong Fortress, which is said to have been built by the three sons of Dangun, the founder of Korea. The temple contains significant architectural works, including the main building Daeungbojeon. The walls and columns of Daeungbojeon, has the names of soldiers written on the walls. These soldiers fought against the French Navy and wrote their names in Jeondeungsa to pray to Buddha for good luck in war. The temple site has 10 historical structures on the property.

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CLAIM FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

Date: June 29, 2017

Traveler: Ernest Y Martin

Event: ²⁰¹⁷ Meeting with Incheon Sister City/Council *Incheon Metropolitan Council*

Location: Incheon, South Korea

Dates: From May ~~18~~¹⁴, 2017 To May 19, 2017

Description	Amount	Notes:
1. Registration Fee		
2. Airfare	1080.06	R/T Airfare on Korean Airlines
3. Hotel		
4. Meals		
5. Ground Transportation		
6. Tips		
7. Other		
Other		
Other		
8. Adjustment		
TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT	1080.06	

This is to certify that the above data, based upon receipts submitted to Council Administrative Support Services via a CCLTRVL02 form, is accurate. Further, I am claiming reimbursement for expenses associated with a trip in which City business was conducted and personal funds were used to advance payment:

Signature of Traveler

Date