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Sister Cities International
1012 14th Street NW, Suite 1400
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Dear Sirs:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Lee Guio as a candidate for re-election to the board of Sister Cities International.

I have worked with Lee on many projects over the 20 plus years that we have been acquainted. Lee is a person that we can call anytime whenever there is a project that the city or our sister city organization is involved. Each year our "Sister City Festival" is our key social event, both for the city and for our Sister City organization. Lee serves as program director, emcee, solicitor of donors and sponsors, stage helper, peace and order person and other jobs necessary to make our event the success it is.

One of Lee's biggest contributions to our organization is his ability to work well with our very diverse members representing our seven sister cities. Sensitivity and respect to other cultures and ideas are important personal qualities that Lee possesses, which are also very important assets for a board member.

Lee has been a board member of "Union City Friends of Sister Cities" for over 10 years. Presently, we have 7 Sister City relationships, one Friendship City relationship (Guro, So. Korea) and are working on a new relationship with Mushin, Nigeria. He and his wife were key in putting together our existing sister city relationship with Chiang Rai Thailand. He has also been one of the primary organizers of our yearly Asian American Heritage Festival. In addition, Lee is Vice President of the SCI NorCal Chapter and has served in the organization for over 10 years.

Lee is also a Planning Commissioner for Union City and the CERT Coordinator for Union City. His experience in working with the city government make him extremely well qualified to lead and exceed in your organization. As Lee was previously on the Sister Cities International board and held the position of Treasurer, I am sure that Lee will continue to be an outstanding board member.

If I can be of further help by providing additional information, please contact me.

Regards,



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