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Dr. Ricki Garrett
President
Sister Cities International
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Re: Letter of Recommendation – Dr. Christine Warnke

Dear Dr. Garrett:

My name is James Boykin. I am a partner in the law firm Hexagon Advocates LLP. I am a practicing lawyer in the field of international dispute resolution and dues paying member of Sister Cities International. I am writing to endorse the nomination of Dr. Christine Warnke for membership on the Board of Sister Cities International for 2026–2027.

Dr. Warnke brings a distinguished record of diplomatic and international service. From 2021 to 2023, she served the Government of the District of Columbia as Chief of International Affairs and Protocol Officer, in which capacity she represented the more than 700,000 residents of the District in their dealings with the 186 diplomatic missions resident in our nation's capital.

Beyond that service, Dr. Warnke currently serves as Chair of the Diplomatic Council of Black Professionals in International Affairs and as Vice President for North America of the World Craft Council. Together, these roles reflect her sustained commitment to the kind of cross-cultural and people-to-people engagement that lies at the heart of Sister Cities International's mission.



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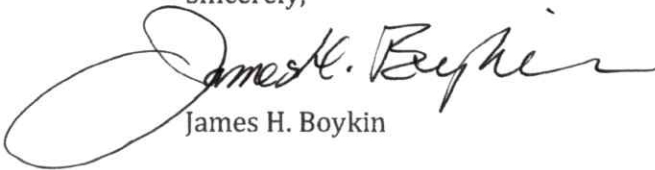
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I am confident that Dr. Warnke would be an outstanding addition to the Board, and I offer my full support for her nomination.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



James H. Boykin