



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Between the Public Entity of Aruba ("Aruba") and
Oranjestad-Aruba Sister Cities Association ("OASCA")

Whereas Oranjestad-Aruba Sister Cities Association ("OASCA") is a Florida-USA non-profit corporation with registration number **FEI/EIN # 82-3326536**.


Whereas OASCA is a non-partisan, apolitical, all-volunteer, secular, committee-structured organization, comprised of Arubans living in the USA and in Aruba who collectively work for the sole benefit of the island of Aruba.

Whereas OASCA functions independently and pursues the activities and thematic areas that it deems important to Aruba including but not limited to municipal, business & trade, education, innovation, sports & wellness, music, arts & cultural exchanges with the Sister Cities of Aruba.

Whereas The Government of Aruba endorses and supports the invaluable efforts put forth by OASCA and is willing to provide the necessary support to help fulfill the Sister Cities partnerships.

Parties agree to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding under the following conditions:

- a) OASCA will communicate with the Government of Aruba via Aruba's Minister Plenipotentiary based in Washington, DC
- b) OASCA will only operate in the United States of America as a member of Sister Cities International Organization and on behalf of Oranjestad-Aruba and shall be the exclusive authority and liaison for Sister Cities matters in the USA.
- c) OASCA's mission and responsibility is to create and fulfill five (5) US sister cities agreements on behalf of Oranjestad-Aruba according to the *Aruba Sister Cities Program* it developed on behalf of Oranjestad-Aruba. These agreements are signed by the Mayor of the US cities and the presiding Prime Minister of Aruba.
- d) OASCA solicits funding through endowments, private and public sponsorships, donations, grants and membership fees primarily from sources in the USA.

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- e) OASCA's objective is to encourage citizen diplomacy, citizen engagement, global connectivity, voluntarism, philanthropy and peace forging and cultivating lasting and fruitful relationships via the Sister Cities platform.
- f) OASCA shall submit the yearly agenda for validation by the Minister Plenipotentiary of Aruba in the US, seeking synchronization as best possible with the agenda of the Government of Aruba and the assessments and outcome of its programs and events shall be shared with the Minister Plenipotentiary of Aruba in the US.

It is understood by both parties that no monetary contribution or fees will be paid by the Government of Aruba to OASCA for its rendered services and it will remain the full discretion of the Government of Aruba to provide any monetary contribution to projects presented by OASCA to Aruba.

Each party recognized that this document is not legally binding, but rather a best effort basis document. This agreement shall last for a period of 4 years and is renewable, if necessary and desirable, with the written consent of all parties.

Date: 27 September 2019

City/Country: New York

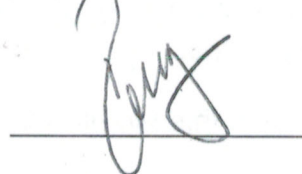


Evelynna Wever-Croes

Prime Minister of Aruba

Date: 3 October 2019

City/Country: Miramar, FL USA



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Director of OASCA