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Dear Ms. Kapoor,

On behalf of the Cupertino-New Taipei Friendship City Association, I am writing to formally request the renewal of the Friendship City status between the City of Cupertino and New Taipei City. Attached are the supporting material for this request as outlined in your email of July 12, 2023. Please feel free to reach out if there are any questions or any additional material that we can provide.

Best Regards,

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## Cupertino-New Taipei Friendship City Renewal Application

- Summary of New Taipei City delegation visited Cupertino hosted by the committee over the last two years. If none, please explain why.

Due to the impact of global pandemics, the New Taipei City only opened for delegations/students to visit foreign countries in early 2023. The activities outlined in bullet #3 covers all information for this section.

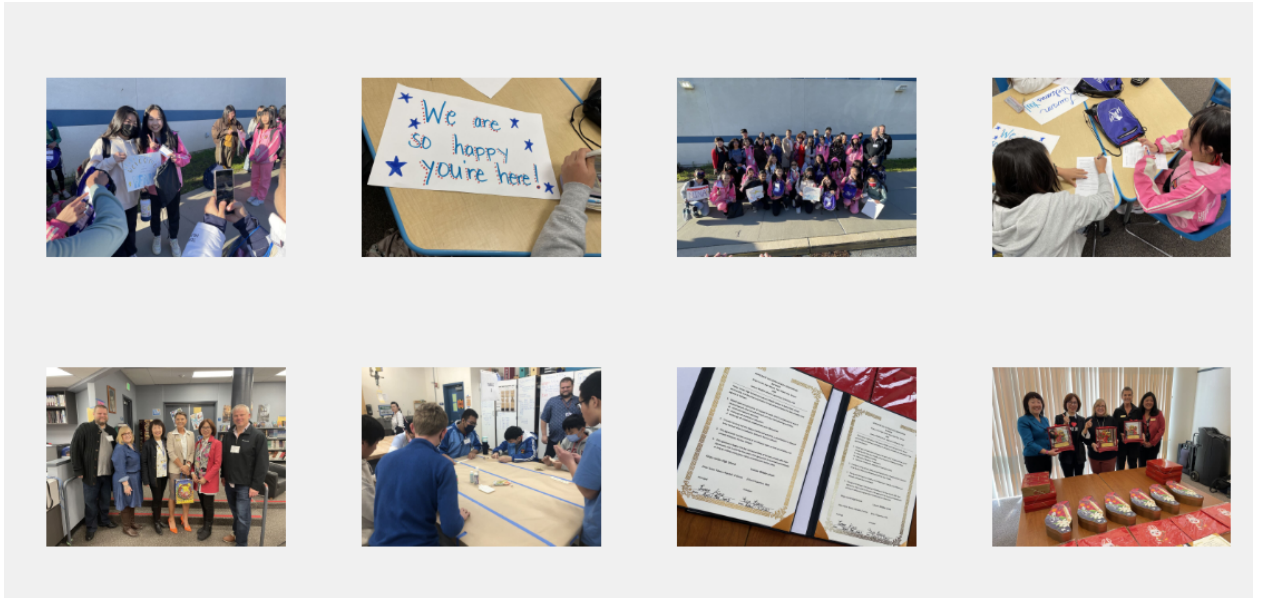
- Summary of Cupertino delegation visits hosted by the CNTFCA. If none, please explain why not.

On October 7th, 2022, CNTFCA Board Member Angela Chen visited the Department of Education of New Taipei City, bringing a letter, proclamation and gifts from Cupertino to New Taipei City.

On April 19th, 2023, the CNTFCA facilitated a visit of Cupertino mayor's delegation of six members to New Taipei City. The leaders of the two cities exchanged information and updates of their cities, and both emphasized the importance of continuing to strengthen the friendship between the two cities.

- Description of activities held and outcomes. If none, please explain why not.

The Cupertino New Taipei City Friendship City Association (CNTFCA) helped facilitate and advocated for a Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Education for New Taipei City (NTC) and the Cupertino Union School District (CUSD) Board of Education which was signed on August 2022. In April 2023, a group of middle students, teachers, and education officials from New Taipei City spent a week at Lawson Middle School where the NTC students were able to spend time with Cupertino students and mutually learn from each other. There is a return visit planned for the Fall of 2023 for teachers and administrators from CUSD to visit New Taipei City and spend time with their students and educators.



- How the relationship has been mutually beneficial for Cupertino and the Friendship Community.

The formal relationship between Cupertino and New Taipei City has facilitated sponsorship and support for the mutual information exchanges and visits between leaders/educators and students of the two cities. This has enabled both communities to better understand each other's cultures and learn from best practices from both sides. The activities that CNTFCA has facilitated have been welcomed by educators in both communities, and there are plans in place to expand these exchanges to additional schools in both cities in 2024.

- An Updated Profile of the Friendship City Committee

The Cupertino-New Taipei Friendship City Association is a Non-Profit Organization with 501.3.(C) tax status. The CNTFCA partners with staff of New Taipei City and local organizations to conduct culture, city operation, and education exchange activities.

The current CNTFCA Administrative Board consists of three key positions including President Jerry Liu , Treasurer Angela Chen and Secretary Gilbert Wong.