CUPERTINO FRIENDSHIP CITIES PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION

- 1. Name and Country of the proposed Friendship City: Tongxiang City, Zhejiang Province, People's Republic of China
- 2. Friendship City Committee: Cupertino-Tongxiang Friendship City Association
- 3. Today's date: October 09, 2017
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- 5. City of Cupertino Sponsor: Former Mayor / Council member Barry Chang
- 6. Tongxiang City Mayor: WANG, SHENFENG 王申峰

7. RATIONALE:

Tongxiang is a city located in northern Zhejiang Province at the geographical center of the Shanghai-Hangzhou-Suzhou (Huhangsu) triangle within the Huhangsu one-hour economic circle.

Thanks to its premium geographical location with a comprehensive transportation network, the city enjoys a great market potential for the development of local industries and a favorable pattern for its synergistic industrial development with surrounding first-tier cities through sharing and exchange of resources, essential productive factors and professional talents.

The city is paying much of the attention to keep the economic in a very nice and attractive point. In the mean time, the government is focusing on high technology development. They would like to learn more from Cupertino. Cupertino can benefit from the high tech business and other businesses.

8. RESOURCES:

The Association will attend the future activities with City of Cupertino like: G-50 Global Smart City Summit event and Tell the story to the world about your city events. We will not ask for funding from City of Cupertino.

9. PROFILE:

Tongxiang has been long known as the land of fish and rice, the home of silk, and a place of beautiful scenery and rich cultural heritage. The city boasts many historic and cultural sites, including the riverside ancient town Wuzhen, the famous Fuyan Temple, the former residence of Mao Dun – a renowned novelist, YuanYuanTang – the former residence of artist Feng Zikai, and the Juntao Art Institute in honor of artist Qian Juntao. Tongxiang is also known for its splendid legacies of the Majiabang and Liangzhu Cultures of the Neolithic Age and a water town culture nurtured by rivers and canals. Today, Tongxiang is increasingly engaging itself.

10. Tongxiang New Industry Development Zone

The Tongxiang Municipal Government always adopts an enterprise-oriented approach and provides support for businesses in every stage of development through a one-stop administrative system, with positive actions to implement supporting policies, reduce the burden on enterprises, develop industrial clusters and attract excellent professionals. As the initiator of a three-in-one governance pattern (i.e. a combination of rule by law, rule by morality and selfgovernance) in China, Tongxiang has been trying to involve more civil forces to improve its public services and is growing into an important investment destination with unique competitive advantages in the Yangtze River Delta region.

Having retained its historic charm and vigor, Tongxiang is now shining more brilliantly than ever. With the aim of building a city performing excellent in manufacturing, services and internet economy, it has been striving to develop into an influential "city of innovation", enabling business development and entrepreneurship in the Yangtze River Delta region.

11. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: None.