

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF ANCIENT OLYMPIA, GREECE  
AS A SISTER CITY OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO,  
USA**

WHEREAS, Colorado Springs' willingness to expand globally has resulted in the creation of six sister city relationships throughout the world for the purpose of promoting good will and understanding between the people of different nationalities; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the City of Ancient Olympia, Greece have indicated a desire to become a sister city of the City of Colorado Springs; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Ancient Olympia, Greece and Colorado Springs, Colorado, USA share similar goals of international cooperation, mutual prosperity, respect for education, and world peace; and

WHEREAS, Ancient Olympia is the birthplace of the Olympic Games more than 2,700 years ago and is now home to the International Olympic Academy; and

WHEREAS, no place outside of Greece plays as distinctive a role in the modern Olympic tradition as does Colorado Springs, home to the United States Olympic Committee and 22 National Governing Bodies of Olympic and Paralympic sports; and

WHEREAS, the concept of Colorado Springs and Ancient Olympia as sister cities has engendered a great deal of support from the community at large, educational institutions, and the amateur sports community; and

WHEREAS, Colorado Springs Sister Cities International will assume all responsibilities for the administration of this sister city relationship; and

WHEREAS, the City of Colorado Springs believes that there are great and lasting cultural, educational, governmental, and business-related benefits to be derived from the adoption of a sister city relationship with Ancient Olympia, Greece.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section 1. The City of Ancient Olympia, Greece is hereby adopted as the seventh sister city of Colorado Springs.

Section 2. Colorado Springs Sister Cities International is authorized to administer this sister city relationship and ensure that all procedural requirements are met.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado, this \_\_\_\_ day of April, 2014.

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Keith King, Council President

ATTEST:

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Sarah B. Johnson, City Clerk