#### **RESOLUTION NO. 519**

# A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON DISSOLVING THE SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH BORYEONG CITY, REPUBLIC OF KOREA.

WHEREAS, the Sister City concept was inaugurated by the President of the United States in 1956 to establish greater friendship and understanding between the peoples of the United States and other nations through the medium of direct personal contact; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline established a Sister City relationship with Boryeong City, Republic of Korea with the adoption of Resolution No. 207 in June 2003; and

WHEREAS, while the Sister City relationship has had success during the following decade, with the City of Shoreline and Boryeong City engaging in several cultural and educational exchanges, including the mutual hosting of delegations to the Sister Cities between 2006 and 2009, City of Shoreline staff has not had any interaction or involvement with its Sister City nor has the Shoreline City Council been engaged in any exchange activity since that time due to significant funding challenges starting in 2010 that required the City to cease funding the Sister City program so as to direct funds to priority services, aging infrastructure, and critical operational needs; and

WHEREAS, on November 1, 2023, the Mayor of the City of Shoreline sent a letter to the Mayor of Boryeong City requesting that Boryeong City agree to the dissolution of the Sister City relationship so that Boryeong City may prioritize its other Sister City relationships; and

WHEREAS, on January 18, 2024, the City of Shoreline received a letter from the Mayor of Boryeong City agreeing to the dissolution of the Sister City relationship;

### NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES:

- **Section 1. Dissolution of Sister City Relationship.** The City Council of the City of Shoreline hereby dissolves the Sister City relationship with Boryeong City, Republic of Korea, established by Resolution No. 207.
- **Section 2.** Corrections by City Clerk or Code Reviser. Upon approval of the City Attorney, the City Clerk and/or the Code Reviser are authorized to make necessary corrections to this Resolution, including the corrections of scrivener or clerical errors; references to other local, state, or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations; or ordinance numbering and section/subsection numbering and references.
- **Section 3. Severability.** Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this ordinance be preempted by state or federal law or regulation, such decision or preemption shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

## ORIGINAL

**Section 4. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption by the City Council of the City of Shoreline.

#### ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON FEBRUARY 26, 2024.

Mayor Christopher Roberts

ATTEST:

Jessica Simulcik Smith

City Clerk

Effective Date:

February 26, 2024