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In the year Two Thousand Ten.....

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

That WHEREAS, Burlington established its sister city relationship with Yaroslavl, Russia, in 1988. Since then, exchanges between the two cities have involved mayors, business people, firefighters, jazz musicians, youth orchestras, mural painters, high school students, medical students, nurses, librarians, and the Yaroslavl Torpedoes ice-hockey team. That in 1993, Champlain and Trinity Colleges in Burlington sponsored six students from Yaroslavl; since then, dozens of Yaroslavl students have attended Champlain College. That in 1997, Burlington Sister City Committee members donated children's books by Vermont authors and illustrators toward the creation of an English-speaking room at the Yaroslavl Children's Library; and

WHEREAS, although not always immediately apparent, it is clear that sister city relationships can have economic and social benefits for both cities involved over the long term; and

WHEREAS, the Burlington City Council is committed to long term investments that can produce social and economic benefits for Burlington; and

WHEREAS, Councilor Sharon Bushor has committed nearly twenty-five years to serving the City of Burlington and through her work on the Council has helped implement numerous social and economically beneficial programs; and

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36 WHEREAS, Yaroslavl will be celebrating its 1000<sup>th</sup> anniversary from September 9-13,  
37 2010 and the Council recognizes that it in furtherance of councilors' duties it is important to have  
38 a representative of the Council included in the delegation to Yaroslavl;

39 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Burlington City Council designates  
40 Councilor Bushor as its Ambassador to the 1000<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of Yaroslavl and  
41 agrees to provide Councilor Bushor with a stipend from individual councilor accounts from the  
42 2009-2010 budget year, on a voluntary per councilor basis to cover the travel expenses of the  
43 trip;

44 AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in consideration for this designation,  
45 Councilor Bushor is respectfully requested to provide a report to the Council and the City at its  
46 meeting of October 4, 2010 on the results of the trip.