



## Legislation Text

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**Dept/ Agency:** Offices of Municipal Council/City Clerk

**Action:** ( ) Ratifying (X) Authorizing ( ) Amending

**Type of Service:** Establishing Sister Cities Relationship

**Purpose:** Benefit from cultural and economic exchanges.

**City/State/Country:** City of Canton Olmedo, County of Loja, Ecuador

**Sponsor(s):** Council Vice President, Luis A. Quintana

**Additional Information:**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Newark recognizes the significance and necessity for global interaction; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Newark acknowledges the great benefits to all residents from cultural and economic exchanges with other municipalities and towns from around the world; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Newark has established a Sister Cities Program to facilitate such cultural and economic exchanges; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Newark has a culturally diverse population, which includes a large Ecuadorian community; and

**WHEREAS**, a significant number of Newark residents from the City of Canton Olmedo, County of Loja, Ecuador desire to work with the City of Newark to develop and enhance a link between the two (2) cities fostering economic and cultural ties; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Newark feels that it is befitting to establish a meaningful relationship with Ecuadorian cities because of the large influx of natives, which have moved from their Ecuadorian homeland into the Newark Metropolitan Region bringing with them an extremely rich cultural heritage.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:**

1. The Municipal Council, on behalf of the people of the City of Newark, does hereby extend an invitation to the government and the people of the City of Canton Olmedo, County of Lola, Ecuador, to participate with Newark as its Sister City for the purpose of creating greater mutual understanding between the peoples of our two (2) communities.
2. The Office of the City Clerk shall send a copy of this resolution to the Mayor and Governing Body of the City of Canton Olmedo, County of Loja, Ecuador.

**STATEMENT**

This resolution invites the citizens of the City of Canton Olmedo, County of Loja, Ecuador, to join the City of Newark's Sister Cities Program.