Agreement

On the Establishment of Friendship Cities between

The Bangkok Metropolitan Administration, the Kingdom of Thailand

and

The Shandong Provincial People's Government, the People's Republic of China

The Shandong Provincial People's Government, the People's Republic of China and the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration, the Kingdom of Thailand (hereinafter referred to as "The Parties");

Acting in accordance with the spirit of the Joint Communiqué on the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between the People's Republic of China and the Kingdom of Thailand on 1st July 1975, for the purpose of promoting mutual understanding and friendship between the Chinese and Thai peoples and consolidate and develop friendly cooperation between their respective province and city;

Referring to the Letter of Intent on Friendly Cooperative Relationship between the Shandong Provincial People's Government and the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration signed on 7th July 2013; and

Taking into consideration the longstanding contacts between Shandong and Bangkok;

Have agreed as follows;

- 1. The Parties will, within their authority and to the extent permitted by the laws and regulations in force in their respective countries, cooperate with each other to promote mutual prosperity and development on the basis of equality and mutual benefit.
- 2. The Parties will cooperate with each other in the areas of economy, trade, investment, city development, planning, science & technology, food, environmental protection, cultural diversity, tourism promotion, education, sports, health, youth activities, reciprocal visits of high level official delegations of both province and city and people-to-people exchanges compatible with their respective Governments' policies.

- 3. The Parties will encourage their agencies concerned to strengthen regular contacts with each other for the cooperation under this Agreement and will also encourage exchange of visits between their officials.
- 4. The Parties will consult each other regarding the modalities and programmes of cooperation in implementation of this Agreement by convening regular meetings to monitor and evaluate the achievement of joint projects as well as to ensure concrete results and mutual benefit.
- 5. The Agreement shall come into effect on the date of its signature. It will be valid for five years. Upon expiration, it may be renewed for another five years unless one Party gives to the other Party six months' prior written notice of its intention to terminate the Agreement.

Signed in Bangkok on 17 December 2018 in six original copies in the Thai, Chinese and English languages, all texts being of equal authenticity. In case of divergence, the English text shall prevail.

For the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration The Kingdom of Thailand For the Shandong Provincial People's Government The People's Republic of China

(Mr. Thaweesak Lertprapan) Deputy Governor of Bangkok (Mr. Yu Guoan) Vice Governor of Shandong Province