RESOLUTION NO. 19-35

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CLEARWATER, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A SISTER CITIES RELATIONSHIP WITH BOURGES, FRANCE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Sister Cities International was founded as a Presidential initiative by President Dwight D. Eisenhower on September 11, 1956 to create more community-led global relationships; and,

WHEREAS, cities, their elected officials, and their citizens can collaborate internationally through organizations such as Sister Cities International and city-to-city relationships; and,

WHEREAS, the cities of Clearwater, Florida and Bourges, France wish to promote international goodwill, understanding, and expanded business relations between the two cities and their respective nations through the exchange of people, ideas, and information;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEARWATER, FLORIDA:

<u>Section 1.</u> That the appropriate officials and city staff of the city of Clearwater, Florida shall attempt to develop a SISTER CITIES PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT with the city of Bourges, France.

<u>Section 2</u>. That city staff identifies themes, common to both cities, that can generate new programs, exchanges, and initiatives to further and nurture the relationship between Clearwater and Bourges.

<u>Section 3</u>. That the City Clerk is hereby directed to record this Resolution in the Public Records of Pinellas County, Florida.

| Section 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption. | |
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| PASSED AND ADOPTED this day of _ | , 2019. |
| | CITY OF CLEARWATER, FLORIDA |
| | By: George N. Cretekos Mayor |
| Approved as to form: | Attest: |
| Owen Kohler Assistant City Attorney | Rosemarie Call City Clerk |