

## **RESOLUTION NO.**

**WHEREAS**, on May 12, 1983, Council declared Adelaide, South Australia a Sister City to the City of Austin as part of the Sister Cities International program, and the cities established a bond of friendship and cooperation; and

**WHEREAS**, to mark the formation of this Sister City relationship, the City of Adelaide presented the City of Austin with a gift of precious jewels, including a pendant removed from the City of Adelaide's Lady Mayoress Chain, which was part of the city's gem collection; and

**WHEREAS**, the jewels are historic artifacts, including both an unset, black opal triplet stone and the pendant with gold-set diamonds, a pearl, and a half-moon shaped opal; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Adelaide is now observing its 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and as part of the celebration, wishes to reconstitute the components of the city's gem collection for public display; and

**WHEREAS**, City Manager Marc Ott has reached out to the City of Adelaide and begun preparations to present these gems to the City of Adelaide as a Sister City gift, in recognition of Adelaide's special anniversary celebration and our cities' enduring cultural and economic ties;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Adelaide has expressed its desire to present the City of Austin with a Sister City gift of significant Aboriginal art; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

The Austin City Council extends its best wishes to the City of Adelaide on the celebration of their 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and invites Adelaide's City Council to visit Austin for an in-person ceremony and exchange of Sister City gifts.

**ADOPTED:** \_\_\_\_\_, 2015

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Jannette S. Goodall  
City Clerk