



**SISTER CITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN BLUEFIELDS, JAMAICA AND
BLUEFIELDS, REPUBLIC OF NICARAGUA**

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Nicaragua has historically maintained strong political, commercial and cultural ties with the Nations of the Caribbean, which were broken after the annexation of the Moskitia in 1894.

II

The Government of the Sandinista National Liberation Front during the 1980's promoted the reestablishment of these ties, recognizing the importance of fostering cultural exchanges, as well as political and commercial cooperation between Nicaragua and the Caribbean.

III

The National Assembly of Nicaragua approved Law 28 - Autonomy Statute of the Peoples of the Autonomous Regions in 1987, which in its article 7, mandates the reestablishment of historical ties between indigenous and Afro-descendant peoples of the Caribbean Coast of



Nicaragua and the peoples of the Nations of the Caribbean.

IV

Jamaica plays a key role in the political, economic, cultural and social integration of the Greater Caribbean.

V

His Excellency Jason Keats Matthew Hall, Ambassador of Jamaica to the Republic of Nicaragua and Comrade Gustavo Castro Jo, Mayor of the City of Bluefields, Nicaragua, agree to sign this declaration of intent to strengthen the bonds of brotherhood, solidarity and fraternity between the Cities of Bluefields, Jamaica and Bluefields, Nicaragua, as well as between the People of Jamaica and the People of Nicaragua.

The Embassy of Jamaica to Nicaragua, and the City Council of the City of Bluefields, Nicaragua, therefore declare an intention to:

1. Explore mutually beneficial opportunities to share experiences and best practices in the fields of arts, culture, sports, education, health, safety,



tourism, economic development and political cooperation.

2. Collaborate in strengthening the Afro-descendant and indigenous culture of the Caribbean, particularly in relation to the exchanging of information linked to its unique history, as well as the contributions of these peoples to the development and progress of the nations of the region.
3. Create opportunities to strengthen trade, investment and tourism between the cities of Bluefields, Jamaica and Bluefields, Nicaragua, as well as between Jamaica and the Republic of Nicaragua.
4. Promote regular exchanges and links between schools, universities, cultural and sports organizations, professional associations, companies and government institutions.



5. Establish a Sister City Agreement between Bluefields
- Jamaica and Bluefields - Nicaragua.

Signed and ratified in the city of Bluefields, Southern
Autonomous Region of the Caribbean Coast of Nicaragua
by His Excellency Jason Keats Matthew Hall, Ambassador
of Jamaica to the Republic of Nicaragua and Comrade
Gustavo Castro Jo, Mayor of the City of Bluefields,
Nicaragua, on the 28th day of the month of February,
2020.

His Excellency
Jason Keats Matthew Hall
Ambassador of Jamaica
to the Republic of
Nicaragua

Master
Gustavo Adolfo Castro Jo
Mayor of the City of
Bluefields, RACCS
Nicaragua

This document enters into force on the date of its
signature and is signed in both English and Spanish.
Both texts have equal power.