

MEMORANDUM of Cooperation

City of Rohatyn

25 July 2017

In order to preserve local history, and historical and cultural heritage, and to promote the development of the City of Rohatyn and its popularization in the world,

the **Rohatyn City Council** represented by its City Major Nasalyk Serhiy Stepanovych (“**Party 1**”), on the one hand, and

the **Non-Governmental Organization Rohatyn Jewish Heritage** represented by its President Marla Raucher Osborn acting under the Articles of Association (“**Party 2**”), on the other hand,

together, "**the Parties**", have agreed to this Memorandum of Cooperation.

1. We declare that we share a common interest in the preservation of tangible and intangible Jewish heritage in the city of Rohatyn and its environs, as an important resource for understanding and appreciation of the multicultural history. We are conscious that heritage, both physical and nonphysical, serves as a connecting point between the citizens of Rohatyn, descendants of people who originated here, and visitors interested in the 400-year history of Rohatyn's Jewish community in relation to the general historical context. We consider restoration and maintenance of the Jewish heritage of Rohatyn as a component of a long-term urban development strategy, to be an element of broader cultural and educational programs in the city and the region, helping to build bridges between the past, the present, and the future.

2. We intend to realize joint projects for the benefit of the city of Rohatyn and its inhabitants, to assist one another in this, to attract external resources (specialists, grants, etc.), and to promote the achieved results.

3. We do not limit our cooperation in time or within the scope of a predetermined list of joint projects. At the same time, we would like to highlight the following areas of work:

- restoration, documentation and preservation of the Jewish cemeteries in the city, and their harmonious inclusion into the urban space,
- recovery of Jewish headstones scattered in the city and its environs, and their transportation to the cemeteries,
- research, documenting and marking of the wartime Jewish mass graves, and arranging the memorials,
- research and renovation of buildings which were used by the Rohatyn Jewish community before World War II,
- development and popularization of the Opillia Museum, particularly its permanent exhibition devoted to the regional Jewish community and its ties with other communities,
- development and popularization of Internet and other digital resources related to the city of Rohatyn, the history of its Jewish community, and its multicultural ties,
- conducting educational events,
- popularization of Rohatyn and its Jewish heritage, in Ukraine and around the world,
- general coordination of other projects, responsive actions, and opportunities related to the Jewish heritage of Rohatyn.

4. Realization of projects will take place after their approval and in close cooperation between the parties, with detailed information for the public.

5. None of our heritage preservation efforts, or any other of our activities in Rohatyn and abroad, are intended to make claims on any property in Rohatyn or elsewhere. We believe that the Jewish physical heritage in Rohatyn belongs to the people of Rohatyn.

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