

Norman Mineta, Condoleezza Rice, and Steve Wozniak Join Sister Cities International's 2014 Annual Conference Honorary Host Committee

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Honorable Norman Y. Mineta, former Congressman and Secretary of Transportation, and Honorable Condoleezza Rice, former Secretary of State, will serve as National Co-chairs of Sister Cities International's 58th Annual Conference Honorary Host Committee. Steve Wozniak, co-founder of Apple and Carl Guardino, President and CEO of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group will join them as Corporate Co-chairs. Mary Ellen and Michael Fox will serve as Community Co-Chairs.

California Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein will also serve on the Honorary Host Committee. A host of Members of Congress representing California will be joining them on this Committee. To see the entire list, please visit: <u>www.SisterCitiesConference.org</u>.

"We thank our Honorary Host Committee for their support as we host our 58th Annual Conference. This Conference will bring together leaders and citizen diplomats from across the U.S. and the world for an exchange of ideas on building strong sub-national ties," said Mary D. Kane, President and CEO of Sister Cities International.

Sister Cities International will host its 58th Annual Conference this year in San Jose, California, July 31-August 2. The Conference will focus on the theme, "The Power of Digital Diplomacy" and is expected to bring together 1,000 elected and community leaders and 200 youth delegates from more than 30 countries. Attendees will include national leaders, international diplomats, mayors, local elected officials, city managers, business executives, and educators. The Conference will also feature a special concert by Dionne Warwick.

For more information about the Sister Cities International 58th Annual Conference, please visit: <u>www.SisterCitiesConference.org</u>.

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About Sister Cities International

Founded by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1956, Sister Cities International serves as the national membership organization for over 500 individual sister cities, counties, and states across the United States with relationships in 2,000 communities in 140 countries. This sister city network unites tens of thousands of citizen diplomats and volunteers who work tirelessly to promote peace and understanding through programs and projects focusing on arts and culture, youth and education, economic and sustainable development, and humanitarian assistance.

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