PROCLAMATION

BETWEEN

Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia

AND

LEN-Ligue Européenne de Natation

WHEREAS, LEN-Ligue Européenne de Natation - is an organization whose main mission supports endeavors in Europe in the sport of Aquatics; and

WHEREAS, LEN is an organization committed to promoting, and encouraging the development of Aquatics in all possible manifestations to all interested people;

WHEREAS, under the structure of LEN, swimmers offer inspiration to all citizens in Europe as symbols of excellence and achievement; and

WHEREAS, when swimmers from different cultures and nationalities compete together, any differences of opinion, belief, and territory are set aside in favor of a common pursuit and appreciation of sport;

NOW, therefore, LEN hereby proclaims our unanimous support and affinity for Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia and all its swimmers whose extraordinary courage represent the true spirit of sportsmanship.

WHEREAS, the mission of Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia is to provide year-round sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic-style sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities; and

WHEREAS, in countries, throughout the region, Special Olympics athletes offer inspiration to all citizens through their accomplishments and dedication; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of Special Olympics – skill, courage, acceptance and joy – transcends boundaries of geography, nationality, political philosophy, gender, age, race or religion;

NOW, therefore, Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia obtains the unanimous support of LEN and conveys this to all our athletes and supporters with the purpose of enhancing the sport of Aquatics.

"LET ME WIN, BUT IF I CANNOT WIN, LET ME BE BRAVE IN THE ATTEMPT."

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