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INVITATION – GERMANY MISSION (NLGA) October 15 - 21, 2017

Lt. Governor Bryant

The National Lieutenant Governors Association (NLGA) invites you to a cultural & economic development mission to Germany leaving Saturday, October 14 (leaving in the afternoon) through October 21, 2017, (return on Saturday). The sponsor of this mission is the Friedrich Naumann Foundation, a group approved by the US State Department under the Mutual Education and Cultural Exchange Act (MECEA). The Foundation is a non-profit, tax exempt, 501 c 3 organization in the U.S. This group has hosted NLGA and hosts many other groups, including Congress people. Attendees will help identify areas to observe such as visiting a school and workplace to learn the German apprenticeship model.

The Foundation will cover the cost of transportation for the NLGA member – an ECONOMY class airfare ticket, accommodations, and most meals. If you accept, you will cover your costs for items including but not limited to airport parking, luggage and extra luggage, personal expenses, and some meals not included in the official program.

The NLGA Lead for this mission will be Montana Lt. Governor Mike Cooney. Please let NLGA know no later than May 1, 2017 (10am EST) if you are interested / accept this invitation.

Other Details / FAQ

Arrangements: Arrangements, including your actual flights, are made by the Host, and may be made close to the date of travel. This means we will know the actual time of departure close to the date of travel. The flight is in COACH class.

There is NO accommodation for staff, security or a spouse on this mission.

Staff: This allows us to meet the required participation by LGs to make the mission happen and to accommodate as many LGs as possible.

Spouse: The Foundation does not provide any accommodation for a spouse due to intricacies of German law, MECEA reviews, et al.

Note: One NLGA staff person is required to attend and staff the mission. This individual will be determined. The mission lead (*the designated lead lieutenant governor*) will have one staff person.

Note: If your state has a trade representative in Germany, please know neither the Foundation nor NLGA will be accommodating this person on the ground.

Itinerary: TBD You will be invited to submit other topical ideas or locations (*like a manufacturing plant or school*) that you may like to tour. Host will try to accommodate requests and plans to hold a conversation about this at the NLGA Meeting in Nashville July 26 – 28, 2017, for those who are on board! Do expect long days, late nights, and early mornings following a time change on the flight.

Itinerary Note: If you accept the mission, there can be NO deviation from the itinerary laid out by the Host. This means, please do not try to connect to Germany on the front or back end from another nation or alternate route or location. Likewise, when you accept, it is expected that you will NOT miss any meeting or item planned by the Host. It is expected that you will NOT plan any meeting outside any free time which may or may not be provided nor will you request or make plans (*for the group or individual*) for locations, guests,

or hosts different from what this Host Foundation offers.

Ethics: You are responsible to determine if you can accept this mission and if this mission would need to be reported as a gift in your state. The gift is from the Friedrich Naumann Foundation (not NLGA).

Delegation: The delegation will consist of up to eight or more NLGA members balanced as much as possible by party and geographic region.

We hope you find this an exciting opportunity and benefit of NLGA membership and see it as an opportunity to be a more efficient and effective official!

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