The Rt Hon The Lord Provost of Glasgow
Councillor Jacqueline McLaren

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Dear Mayor Syenkevych

We are writing to you as the political and civic leaders of the city of Glasgow to offer our friendship and solidarity to Mykolaiv as twin cities. We met recently with the Ukrainian Consul General Mr Andrii Kuslii and Mr Yevgen Gorash, chair of the Association of Ukrainians in Great Britain, to discuss a twinning partnership between Glasgow and a Ukrainian city. They suggested that Mykolaiv and Glasgow would be an excellent match and gave us your contact details.

Glasgow and Mykolaiv have much in common, in particular our history as great shipbuilding cities. We believe that the people of Glasgow would be very willing to provide practical support and aid as well as moral support to the people of Mykolaiv, as you work to provide for their needs and reconstruct your city amid the ongoing threat of attack and following the loss and injury of so many of your citizens to Russian aggression. And once Ukraine has secured its victory in this war, Glasgow would continue as an international friend and supporter of Mykolaiv.

We deeply respect the bravery and resilience of Mykolaiv's people in the face of all they have endured, and your own personal courage and leadership you have shown as their Mayor. We hope that our proposal of a twinning partnership – the details of which we can discuss together in future - will be a welcome one and we look forward to hearing from you.

Lord Provost of Glasgow
Cllr Jacqueline McLaren

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Cllr Susan Aitken