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International Solidarity for Human Rights, Inc (ISHR)

COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT (COE) FOR NON-BUSINESS ORGANIZATION 2023-2024

Dear Stakeholders:

Dear Secretary General: we are writing to confirm the continued support of ISHR for the Principles of the United Nations Global Compact.

International Solidarity for Human Rights is a nonprofit Organization compromised and actively involved in enforcing the 10 principles and core values of the United Nations Global Compact in the areas of Human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anticorruption.

ISHR is committed to The United Nations' Global Compact agenda. The ten principles embraced in UN Global Compact are directly related and inseparably linked to the principles embedded in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. ISHR is convinced that the development of a culture of human rights is one of the most important contributions that can be made to the development of a better and more humane society. Our mission is to educate and create awareness about the

principles embedded in the UDHR as proclaimed in the preamble of the UN UDHR: "....this

Universal Declaration of Human Rights as a common standard of achievement for all peoples and all nations, to the end that every individual and every organ of society, keeping this Declaration constantly in mind, shall strive by teaching and education to promote respect for these rights and



freedoms and by progressive measures, national and international, to secure their universal and effective recognition and observance, both among the peoples of Member States themselves and among the peoples of territories under their jurisdiction."

We are engaged with UNGC in their mission of mobilizing businesses towards corporate sustainability and above all respect for human rights which is ISHR mission.

On behalf of ISHR, it is our great pleasure to express our continued support for the UN Global Compact and renew our commitment to the initiative and its principles.

Sincerely Yours,

Elizabeth Sánchez-Vegas

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President International Solidarity for Human Rights, Inc



Description of Actions:

Human Rights: We have encouraged businesses and public organizations we interact with, in a yearly bases, to participate in the UN Global Compact and implement the 10 principles of UNGC through education and learning about human rights and for human rights. We achieve our mission conducting an ISHR's Programs-Seminars-Workshops: Human Rights Class in a Box.

The 10 Principles

The Global Compact asks companies to embrace, support and enact, within their sphere of influence, a set of core values in the areas of human rights, labor standards, the environment, and anti-corruption:

Human Rights: Principle 1: Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights. (30 Articles of the UDHR) Principle 2: make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses. (HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS)

Labor Standards: Principle 3: Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining (UDHR Art. 20 Freedom of assembly)

Principle 4: the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labor; (UDHR Art.4 Freedom from slavery) Principle 5: the effective abolition of child labor. (UDHR Art. 4 Freedom from slavery) Principle 6: the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation. (UDHR Art.2 Freedom from discrimination)

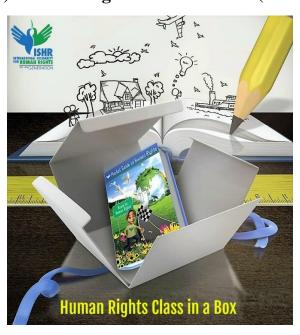
Environment Principle 7: Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges (UDHR Art. 28 Right to an International Order Art.29 We have duties to the community)) Principle 8: undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility; and Principle 9: encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies. (UDHR Art. 28 Right to an International order, Art.29 We have duties to the community)

Anti-Corruption Principle 10: Businesses should work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery. (UDHR. Art 29 We have duties to the community, Art.30 No one can take away my rights)



Programs:

1) Human Rights Class in a Box (HRCB):



HRCB is a program that has been conducted by the Diversity, Cultural Outreach, and Prevention Department of ISHR. Is a co-curricular Universal Declaration of Human Rights centered Program that, through teaching and learning, enhances information and enables students to acquire knowledge about the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and its 30 Articles.

The mission of the HRCB is to create awareness and respect for the 1948 UN Human Rights proclamation "THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. This program serves to the cause of the national anti-bullying campaign USA

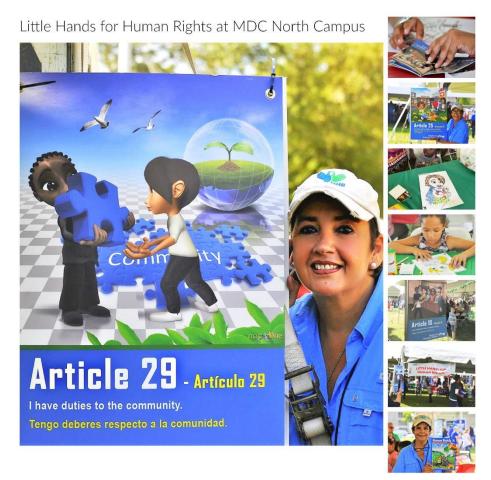
Subject: Human Rights Education-Learning

Context: An introduction to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR)

Objective(s): Participants will examine the UDHR and become familiar with the rights it proclaims; the activity is to promote awareness and dissemination of the articles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. **Program Direct Impact 2022** 5,000 students reached.



2) Children Holydays at North:



Every year International Solidarity for Human Rights collaboration with Miami Dade College North Campus delights thousands of children and adults in the **Little Hands for Human Rights Tent**. More than 1,000 people (children + families) visit the Tent. They are entertained with activities related to the promotion and learning of human rights through games and performances. Toys for the children are provided and printing material containing messages about the 30 articles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights are given to the children, while Christmas fairies interact with the children, bringing a message of peace of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. **Program Direct impact 2022:** 2,000 children reached.



3) The Route to Human Rights Primitive Way Spain

September 1st, 2022, The Route to Human Rights in the Primitive Way was inaugurated in the Auditorium Principe Felipe of the city of Oviedo, Asturias in Spain. The objective of this action, funded and developed by International Solidarity for Human Rights, is "to continue to raise awareness among pilgrims, travelers and citizens so that, through the Camino de Santiago, fundamental rights such as equality, freedom, respect, education, food or justice, among others, are known and disseminated". The Camino has been designated by the European Union as its "first cultural itinerary and main street", and Prince of Asturias Award for Concord. Also, The Camino de Santiago in its "Primitive Way" itinerary was declared in 2015 "World Heritage Site" by the UNESCO; the Camino de Santiago was also designated the "European Cultural Route" by the European Council of the European Economic Community, which has called it "the Street of Europe".

The Route to Human Rights on the Primitive Way is "a fascinating journey gestated over 1,200 years of history", in which, through the centuries, millions of pilgrims have promoted "values inherent to the rights and freedoms of individuals, which are associated with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights".

The project has the collaboration of the City Council of Oviedo, as well as the Asturian municipalities of Grado, Salas, Tineo, Allande, Grandas de Salime in Asturias, and the Galician municipalities of A Fonsagrada, Baleira, Castroverde, Lugo, Guntín, Melide, Arzúa, O Pino and Santiago de Compostela. Impact: 30.000 people

https://ishrights.org/route-in-spain/





In ISHR we hope to keep the good work and keep being a great support for UNGC principles of Corporate and social responsibilities.

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