

Zabrze, 29<sup>th</sup> June 2020**Mr. Mats Helmfrid  
Mayor of Lund***Sprawę prowadzi:*Biuro Współpracy  
z Zagranicątel: 48 32 27-39-728  
fax: 48 32 27-39-728**Dear Mr. Mayor**

Thank you very much for your letter in which you emphasize that the City of Lund has always appreciated the cooperation with the City of Zabrze as a twin city.

We believe that good and developing collaboration between our cities will continue to contribute to building a common European home based on peace, stability and equality of the citizens of our countries, where all its residents feel good. At the same time we are aware that both Polish and foreign public opinion is occasionally surprised by local initiatives trying to favour selected value systems. However, such actions are incidental. Local governments safeguard respect for the law.

This year marks 30 years since the first democratic local elections after the war and the establishment of local governments in Poland. In the autumn of this year 30 years will have passed since Zabrze signed a partnership agreement with Lund as the first city after the democratic changes. We hope that our partnership will be further enriched by future projects, study visits and other fruitful challenges.

I would like to reassure you that Zabrze is aware of its belonging to the European community of values and I am convinced that it will remain a city of tolerance and respect for everyone's rights also in the future. I think that our region, metropolis and the whole country will also go in this direction.

I believe that we will soon be able to meet and continue to exchange experience and ideas for shaping the future reality in Europe.

Yours sincerely

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Małgorzata Mańka-Szulik  
Mayor of the City of Zabrze*-Informal translation from Polish-*