## SISTER STATE AGREEMENT between STATE OF MARYLAND OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and

## LÓDZ VOIVODSHIP Voivodeship OF POLAND

In order to promote friendly relations and to enhance understanding and cooperation, the State of Maryland of the United States of America and the Łódz Voivodship of Poland hereby enter into an agreement of friendship and exchange as sister states.

Representing the State of Maryland:

Governor

William Donald Schaefer

Representing the Łódz Voivodship:

Governor

Waldemar Bohdanowicz

Recognizing the mutual interests of Maryland and Łódz and the many opportunities for cooperation in business and industry, culture, city planning, management of local government, public health, education, tourism, and environmental protection, it is our objective to promote and develop joint programs of exchange in all of these areas and in others that may be identified in the future.

It is also our firm belief that through programs of cooperation and exchange the peoples of Maryland and Lódz will gain much in friendship and understanding of one another.

In witness whereof, the Governor of the State of Maryland and the Governor of Łódz Voivodship have signed this agreement of mutual cooperation.

Done in Annapolis, Maryland, the United States of America, the 5th day of October, 1993.

William Donald Schaefer

Governor

State of Maryland

United States of America

Waldemar Bohdanowicz

Governor

Łódz Voivodship

Poland