

Junta de Freguesia da Sé

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To the Application Committee for Madeira Wine as Intangible Cultural Heritage of UNESCO [Committee Address] Funchal, Madeira

To the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage

Subject: Declaration of Consent to the Application for Madeira Wine as Intangible Cultural Heritage of UNESCO

Dear Committee Members,

On behalf of the Junta de Freguesia da Sé, I express our full support for the application of Madeira Wine for the title of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity, granted by UNESCO.

Madeira Wine is an unmistakable symbol of our cultural and historical heritage, playing an essential role in both the economic growth and the preservation of Madeira's traditions. This wine, with its unique qualities and distinctive production methods, not only unites various generations but also highlights the richness and diversity of our region. Through its characteristics and precise aging processes, Madeira Wine shines on the international stage, reinforcing the need to preserve and value our traditional winemaking practices.

The Junta de Freguesia da Sé recognizes the crucial importance of this application to enhance the international prestige of Madeira Wine and to value the local practices and knowledge associated with this historic beverage. As an entity dedicated to the well-being and quality of life of our residents, we see this application as an essential opportunity to strengthen community ties and ensure that future generations understand and preserve the cultural legacy of Madeira Wine. Moreover, we see this initiative as a way to reaffirm our commitment to promoting the traditions that define the unique identity of our region.

We are deeply committed to supporting this application, aware that UNESCO recognition will bring significant advantages to our community, as well as increase

the international prestige of our cultural heritage. Additionally, we are willing to collaborate in any initiative or event that promotes this cause within our capabilities and resources. We believe that this application not only reinforces our commitment to preserving local traditions but also opens doors to new opportunities for cultural and economic development in our region.

We thank you for your dedication to this important project and look forward to contributing significantly to its success.

Best regards,

Signature:



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