



To the UNESCO Intergovernmental Committee

Consent for the Madeira Wine Candidacy

On behalf of the Parish Council of Canhas, we express our full support for the candidacy of the Traditions of Madeira Wine for inscription on the UNESCO Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

The Parish Council of Canhas represents a parish on Madeira Island. The parish currently covers an area of 13.30 km² and is home to a population of approximately 3,600 inhabitants.

The Parish of Canhas, belonging to the municipality of Ponta do Sol, has a strong historical and cultural connection to viticulture, one of the agricultural activities that most significantly represents our local identity. The vineyards and traditional knowledge associated with the production of Madeira Wine are an integral part of the landscape, economy, and cultural practices of the community.

We recognise the importance of this candidacy as a way to preserve, value, and transmit to future generations the legacy of Madeira Wine as a central element of the culture and intangible heritage of the Autonomous Region of Madeira.

Thus, the Parish Council of Canhas formally endorses and supports this candidacy of the Traditions of Madeira Wine to this prestigious UNESCO list, committing itself to collaborate, within its means, in the dissemination and safeguarding of the winemaking traditions that form part of this heritage.

O Presidente da Junta de Freguesia dos Canhas



(João Norberto da Silva Pita)