RESOLUTION NO. 18-14

A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA STATING ITS DESIRE AND INTENTION TO ESTABLISH A SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CITY OF BOROBIA, SPAIN AND THE CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA.

WHEREAS, the People to People Program, now recognized as Sister Cities International, was inaugurated by the President of the United States in 1956 to establish greater friendship and understanding between the people of the United States and other nations throughout the world through the medium of direct contact; and

WHEREAS, the Pensacola Sister Cities International works closely with Pensacola's sister cities and endorses the establishment of a sister city relationship between the City of Pensacola and the City of Borobia, Spain where Don Tristan de Luna y Arellano was born; and

WHEREAS, our Spanish heritage is deeply reflected throughout Pensacola with many historic plazas, fort sites, landmarks and streets bearing the names of significant Spanish explorers, admirals, soldiers, priests, and colonists who established Spanish civilization in Pensacola; and

WHEREAS, the Fiesta of Five Flags, founded 69 years ago, is one of the oldest and largest festivals in Florida that encourages community spirit and involvement among all sections of the community where Don Tristan de Luna is the central figure of this celebration as it commemorates and promotes an awareness of the rich history of Pensacola;

WHEREAS, the Fiesta of Five Flags endorses the establishment of a sister city relationship with Borobia, Spain to further enhance and strengthen the bonds between Spain and Pensacola; and

WHEREAS, this relationship will lay the foundation to mutually expand community outreach with economic, educational and cultural opportunities; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council of the City of Pensacola to establish relationships with other cities in the world that can contribute to and benefit the mutual understanding and friendship between our various people; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PENSACOLA, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. That the City Council does hereby declare its intention and desire to establish a sister city relationship between the people of Pensacola and the people of Borobia, Spain.

SECTION 2. That the Pensacola community will actively support and promote this sister city relationship and broaden international alliances through educational, cultural and economic exchanges.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall become effective on the fifth business day after adoption unless otherwise provided pursuant to Section 4.03(d) of the City Charter of the City of Pensacola.

	Adopted:	
Attest:	Approved:	President of City Council
City Clerk		
Legal in form and valid if adopted:		
City Attorney		