

Clinton residents invited to reception honoring Uzbekistan Trade Delegation

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Clinton residents are invited to a reception honoring representatives from Zarafshan, Uzbekistan, as part of the City of Clinton’s Sister City International partnership. The reception will be held on September 11 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Wood Activity Center, 111 Clinton Boulevard.

All business leaders and residents are invited to attend the reception.

In May, Clinton Mayor Phil Fisher visited Zarafshan, Uzbekistan, as part of a trade mission sponsored by the Mississippi Development Authority. During the trip, Fisher signed a Sister City partnership agreement with leaders of Zarafshan.

A representative delegation from Zarafshan will make a return visit to Clinton from September 10 through 15 to learn more about the educational, business, agricultural, manufacturing and cultural opportunities that can open new doors for economic development between the two cities.

During their visit, delegates from Zarafshan will visit the Clinton Schools and attend an Arrows Football game, complete with a tailgating experience. The guests will also visit with leaders at four local manufacturers and Mississippi College in efforts to open dialogue regarding trade and educational trade opportunities.

“I believe our partnership with Zarafshan, Uzbekistan, is an important step in expanding the



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Members of the trade delegation from Clinton’s Sister City, Zarafshan, Uzbekistan, are pictured with City of Clinton officials in a visit to Clinton earlier this year. A reception will be held on September 11 from 4 until 7 p.m. at the Wood Activity Center to honor representatives from the country.



City of Clinton’s economic opportunities globally, while also open-

ing doors for cultural and educational awareness locally. I invite all residents to learn more about this important partnership,” said Fisher.

Founded by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1956, Sister Cities International is a nonpartisan 501(c)(3) nonprofit which serves as the national membership organization for individual sister cities, counties and states across the United States. The network unites tens of thousands of citizen diplomats and volunteers in nearly five hundred member communities with over 2,000 partnerships in more than one hundred forty countries.

Sister Cities International’s mission is to promote peace through mutual respect, understanding and cooperation—one individual, one community at a time.

Sister Cities’ goal is to work with members to play an essential part in creating a more peaceful world through people-to-people exchanges and initiatives. The value of face-to-face meetings and personal relationships across borders doesn’t just change the lives of individuals, but helps communities all over the world to thrive.

Residents are to learn more about Zarafshan, Uzbekistan and the Sister City partnership at the September 11 reception. For more information on the Sister City Visit and the events surrounding it, visit www.clintonms.org/sistercity.