Valencia, March 16, 2021

Dear Bid Committee,

The Federation of Musical Societies of the Valencian Community (FSMCV) represents one of the most outstanding social movements for music in Spain with 550 musical societies, more than 600 musical educational centers, 43,000 amateur musicians, 60,000 students and more than 1,100 music bands with a social mass of around 200,000 members. The importance of the cultural movement that we represent is endorsed by the declaration as Asset of Intangible Cultural Interest (Decree 68/2018, May 25 of the “Consell”), which means the maximum degree of protection and recognition contemplated by Spanish legislation.

Upon knowing the news of the presentation of the city of Valencia as the venue for the next Gay Games 2026, the FSMCV backs the project and offers its support to the organization. The Gay Games are an international reference project, an appointment for sport and inclusion. From the FSMCV we believe that Valencia is the perfect city to host the Gay Games since it is an open city with an important cultural movement, and an involved, inclusive, open and hospitable society. The non-profit musical entities that we represent are the living example of Valencian society, hardworking people with values and passion who together are capable of achieving great goals.

Therefore, from the FSMCV we believe that the city of Valencia has a lot to contribute to the history of the Gay Games, so we ask the commission to take this into account when evaluating the candidacy.

Sincerely,

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