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To the Mayor and Each Member of Limerick City and County Council

Attendance at the 'Limerick to London', Ilen Marine School Cultural Voyage and Celebration of Limerick Culture and Trade – London

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An invitation was received by the Mayor of the City and County of Limerick from the Ilen Marine School team to attend an event in London on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> of May 2022. The event was to mark the arrival of the Ilen heritage ship to St Katherians Dock in London having set sail from Limerick Docks on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April. The voyage was a celebration of the historical, cultural and trade links between Limerick and London.

The Ilen Marine School, a network for wooden boat building, is a charitable organisation based in Limerick. The school provides work based learning and therapy for students with a range of backgrounds, abilities and needs. The Limerick to London journey undertaken by the Ilen ship is a symbolic acknowledgment to the shared maritime and riverine heritage of Limerick and London.

Limerick City and County Council recently developed a Diaspora Engagement Strategy, Global Limerick 2021 - 2025. Our Diaspora engagement mission is to "animate and mobilise the connection between Limerick and its Diaspora". In order to achieve this, we are committed to supporting Cultural initiatives, such as the Limerick to London voyage, which are key drivers of the relationship between Limerick and Limerick people around the world. The event was attended by approximately 100 Limerick diaspora based in London.

The costs involved (flights and accommodation) will be in the region of €750

In accordance with section 145 (5) of the Local Government Act 2001, as amended, the retrospective approval of the council is hereby sought for the attendance by Councillor Daniel Butler, Mayor of the City and County of Limerick.

Is mise, le meas,

*Vincent Murray*

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A/Director of Economic Development & Enterprise