



OLYMPIC HYMN

A WORLD CULTURAL HERITAGE



*O Ancient immortal Spirit, pure father
Of beauty, of greatness and of truth,*
Kostis Palamas

DECLARATION

**TO THE GREEKS, AND TRUE LOVERS OF OLYMPISM THROUGHOUT THE WORLD,
FOR THE DESIGNATION BY UNESCO FOR PALAMAS' OLYMPIC HYMN AS**

A WORLD CULTURAL HERITAGE

HONORABLE SUPPORTERS,
WE GREEKS AROUND THE GLOBE, AND TRUE LOVERS OF OLYMPISM GLOBALLY, ARE DEVOTED TO THE OLYMPIC IDEALS OF PEACE, LIBERTY, DEMOCRACY, EQUALITY, FRATERNITY AND FAIR COMPETITION. THESE IDEALS AND PRINCIPLES ARE REVIVED AND ENSHRINED IN PALAMAS' OLYMPIC HYMN, HAVING ADOPTED A BRAVE-SPIRITED AND CREATIVE STANCE FOR A KEEN SENSE OF VALUES FOR OUR CIVILIZATION AND THE IDEALS OF OLYMPISM, AND WE SHALL DO OUR OUTMOST TO ACHIEVE THESE NOBLE TARGETS, IN PALAMAS' OLYMPIC HYMN FOR THE TIMELESS AND ECUMENICAL SYMBOL OF OLYMPISM, TO BE FINALLY INCLUDED IN THE WORLD CULTURAL HERITAGE LIST OF UNESCO FOR THE BENEFIT TO THE YOUTHS OF ALL HUMAN KIND AND OF GENERATIONS TO COME.

PATRAS, HOMETOWN OF OUR NATIONAL POET, 13 JANUARY 1859

THE DECLARATION WAS PRESENTED AT THE ARTS AND CULTURAL EVENT TITLED:

«RETROSPECTIVE TO OLYMPISM -THE OLYMPIC HYMN- KOSTIS PALAMAS»

AT THE ACROPOLIS MUSEUM IN ATHENS,
PRESENTED BY THE AUTHOR AND PROFESSOR THEODORE MALLIAS.
THE BILINGUAL BOOK-ALBUM TITLED:
"OLYMPISM -OLYMPIC HYMN -ANCIENT IMMORTAL SPIRIT - KOSTIS PALAMAS"
IS AN ESSENTIAL CRITERION FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE OLYMPIC HYMN
AS A WORLD CULTURAL HERITAGE.

THE EVENT WAS CO-HOSTED BY THE "KOSTIS PALAMAS FINE ARTS SOCIETY"
& THE CULTURAL INSTITUTION "POLITECHNOPOLIS MARSYAS"

CO-ORGANIZERS AND SUPPORTERS:
THE ACADEMY OF ATHENS, ATHLETIC AND SPORTS FEDERATIONS, INTERNATIONAL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATIONS, PANAHELLENIC UNION OF OLYMPIC GAMES PARTICIPANTS, VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, ATHENS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CHAMBERS, UNIONS AND FEDERATIONS OF GREEK EXPATRIATES, GREEK VETERAN ATHLETES IN TRACK AND FIELD EVENTS ASSOCIATION, PANAHELLENIC SPORTS JOURNALISTS ASSOCIATION (PSTA), CENTRAL ASSOCIATION OF GREEK LOCAL AUTHORITIES, "CLEISTHENES" PANAHELLENIC ASSOCIATION OF GENERAL SECRETARIES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, UNESCO ARTS, LITERATURE & SCIENCE CLUB OF GREECE, SOCIETY OF PATRAS'S CITIZENS RESIDING IN ATHENS, SOROPTIMIST CLUB OF ATHENS.

SIGNATURE OF OUR HONORARY SUPPORTERS



Kostis Palamas

Pierre de Coubertin



PROF. DR. THEODORE MALLIAS
TEL.: +30 697 449 2892
EMAIL: TMALLIAS7@GMAIL.COM