



## **PROCLAMATION**

## **BETWEEN**

## Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia AND

## ETBF – European Tenpin Bowling Federation

WHEREAS, ETBF, European Tenpin Bowling Federation is an organization whose main mission is to support the athletic endeavors in Europe in the sport of Bowling; and

WHEREAS, ETBF is an organization committed to promoting, and encouraging the development of Bowling in all possible manifestation to all interested people;

WHEREAS, under the structure of ETBF, Bowling players offer inspiration to all citizens in Europe as symbols of excellence and achievement; and

WHEREAS, when Bowling players from different cultures and nationalities compete together, any differences of opinion, belief and territory are set aside in favor of a common pursuit and appreciation of sport;

**NOW**, therefore, ETBF hereby proclaims our unanimous support and affinity for Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia and all its Bowling players whose extraordinary courage represent the true spirit of sportsmanship. WHEREAS, the mission of Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia is to provide year-round sports training and competition across 58 countries in Europe and Central Asia, for children and adults with intellectual disabilities; and

WHEREAS, in countries, throughout the region Special Olympics athletes offer inspiration to all citizens through their accomplishments and dedication; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of Special Olympics skills, courage, acceptance and joy-transcends boundaries of geography, nationality, political philosophy, gender, age, race or religion;

NOW, therefore, Special Olympics Europe/ Eurasia obtains the unanimous support of ETBF and conveys this to all our athletes and supporters with the purpose of enhancing the sport of Bowling.

"LET ME WIN. BUT IF I CAN NOT WIN, LET ME BE BRAVE IN THE ATTEMPT" - SPECIAL OLYMPICS OATH

TWENTIETH OF MARCH, TWO THOUSAND AND TEN, MALTA

European Ten Pin Bowling Federation

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