

# **Dengfeng International City of Peace Application Report**

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## I. Historical peace efforts in Dengfeng

1. The "Songshan Culture," with Dengfeng as its core, embodies the developmental essence of peace and inclusivity.

Within Dengfeng's territory, Songshan, known as Zhongyue, is one of the first designated UNESCO Global Geoparks. The historic monuments of Dengfeng in “the Centre of Heaven and Earth” are UNESCO World Cultural Heritage sites, and the 24 Solar Terms are recognized as part of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. These designations, made by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), hold universal significance and value for all of humanity. They also reflect the prominent characteristics of Chinese civilization, including continuity, innovation, inclusiveness, unity, and peace. Songshan Culture is highly inclusive and has never been exclusionary or hostile towards others. Over the course of five millennia, the civilization in the Songshan region has emphasized the coexistence and organic integration of advanced elements from various neighboring cultures. It is precisely because of its rich diversity that it has endured to the present day. From the 2nd century BC, the Chinese nation began to embrace Indian Buddhist culture and incorporate Gandharan art from Europe. This marked the opening of a significant avenue for material and cultural exchange—the ancient Silk Road. After the Sui and Tang dynasties, religions such as Zoroastrianism, Christianity, and Islam gradually entered China, and were welcomed with a peaceful attitude.



Panorama of Dengfeng



Gate of Shaolin Temple, Dengfeng



Monument to the Successful Application of the Twenty-Four Solar Terms for Intangible Cultural Heritage of Mankind



Dengfeng Songshan World Geopark

2."Songshan Culture" embodies the wisdom and mechanisms of the Chinese nation in reconciling different conflicts and solving various problems.

(1)The political mechanism exemplified by the spirit of Dayu, which prioritizes the common good and employs adaptive governance based on prevailing circumstances. Dayu, born in Songshan, managed to tame the floods by dredging water channels, dedicating 13 years of hard work to the task. It was said that during this period of time, he passed by his house three times but never went inside. This political

thinking prioritizes the common good over personal interests and adapts to changing circumstances, reflecting a mindset conducive to achieving peace.



Zujiashuang Village, Dengfeng - Hometown of Dayu



Dengfeng Dayu Hometown Archway



Portrait stone of "Dayu Transforms into a Bear", Qimu Que -  
Dengfeng Han Dynasty building

(2)The cultural mechanism represented by the wisdom of Duke Zhou, emphasizing "Moderation as the Foundation and Harmony as the Ultimate Way". Mutual respect and inclusive coexistence are the fundamental cultural strategies for achieving peace in today's world. Duke Zhou's measurement of gnomon shadows in Dengfeng to locate the "Center of Heaven and Earth" was a symbolic act stressing the importance of having a capable government that enjoys the support of the people in a nation or region, as this is essential for maintaining regional peace and stability. Duke Zhou's Terrace for Gnomon Measurement, as a significant manifestation of Duke Zhou's wisdom, is located within the territory of Gaocheng Town in Dengfeng City and has become an essential part of the world heritage.



Duke Zhou's Terrace for Gnomon Measurement, Dengfeng Star Observatory Scenic Area



Duke Zhou Worship Ceremony during Summer Solstice at Dengfeng Star Observatory Scenic Area



Sun Shadow Measurement Activity during Winter Solstice at  
Dengfeng Star Observatory Scenic Area

(3)Guan Zhong's management represents the guarantee mechanism of "solid warehouses and sufficient food and clothing". Guan Zhong was a prominent statesman of the State of Qi during the Spring and Autumn Period, born in Dengfeng. Wangshang Village in Dajindian Town, Dengfeng, still holds the remains of Guan Zhong's ancestral home. His principles of management, the philosophy of rejuvenating the livelihood of the people, the protection of the basic right to subsistence, and the materialistic philosophy that prioritizes material well-being before spiritual pursuits still hold significant

lessons for dealing with the increasingly complex international situations and conflicts of today.



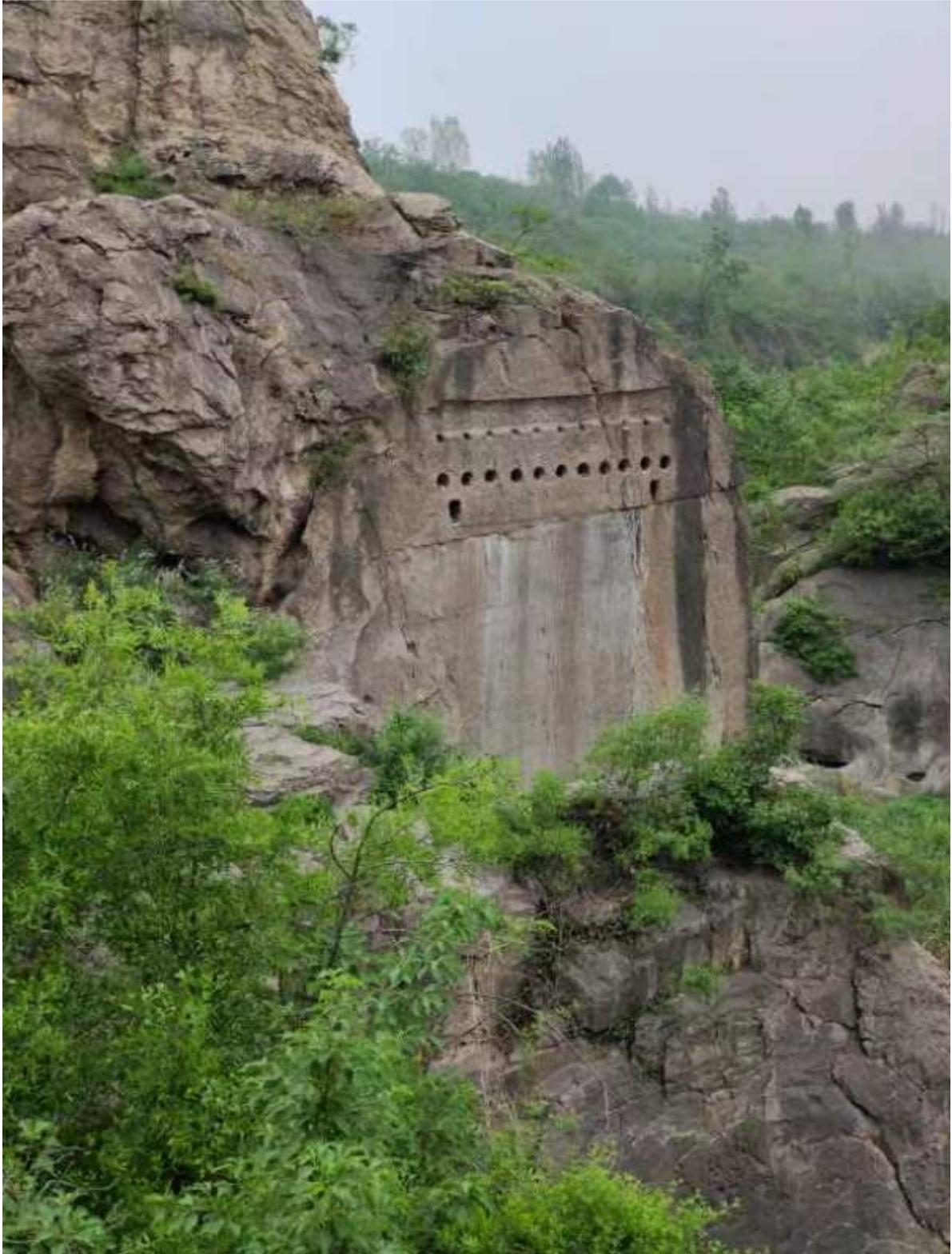
Monument of the Hometown of Guanzhong

(4)The coordination mechanism of the "Drinking by the Shicong River", represented by the Empress. In the year 700 AD, from April to the 7th day of the 7th month in the lunar calendar, Empress Wu Zetian led the prominent members of the Li and Wu families, as well as her trusted subordinates, to the Sanyang Palace by the Shicong River within the territory of Dengfeng. They spent nearly a hundred days composing poetry, drinking, and engaging in entertainment and

discussions. This gathering completely resolved the estrangement between the Li and Wu families and eliminated the risk of conflicts. Empress Wu, on the summit of Songshan, cast a golden slip with inscriptions before returning to Luoyang. Therefore, when faced with the responsibilities of governing a nation and making life and death decisions, as long as one grounds their actions in reality, follows a rational path, and engages in dialogue and communication, it is an effective way to eliminate sharp conflicts and return to a state of peace. Of course, the prerequisite for such a coordinated mechanism is the presence of a fair, just, and strong mediator. Today, under the mediation of the Chinese government, the significant improvement in the situation in the Middle East stands as evidence of this approach.



Golden Slips of Empress Wu Zetian



The Ruins of Shicong Cave of Empress Wu Zetian



Inscription on the cliff of Shicong River



The inscription on the cliff of Empress Wu Zetian's "Shicong Cave"

(5)The prayer mechanism represented by worshipping gods and praying for blessings in Chongfu Temple. The wish for peace is arguably one of the most fundamental among many beautiful aspirations. Within the territory of Dengfeng, Chongfu Temple was a place where the Northern Song Dynasty's princes and renowned scholars of the time prayed for the emperor's blessings. Similarly, Jerusalem, known as the international city of peace, is home to the wailing wall and the Temple Mount, the Stations of the Cross and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the Dome of the Rock and the Al-Aqsa Mosque. It's a place where millions of believers find solace in their faith and pray for a better future, making it a holy city in the hearts of people in the Western world. Similarly, from the Western Han Dynasty to the Jin and Yuan Dynasties, Chongfu Temple at the base of the Wansui Peak in Songshan Mountain has always been a place where the imperial family, eminent monks and Taoist sages, and renowned scholars prayed for the well-being of the people. They prayed for heavenly blessings, abundant harvests, longevity, and peace, keeping alive the aspirations of countless Chinese people for a better life.



Dengfeng Chongfu Palace

3. There are many cultural heritages embodying “positive peace” in Dengfeng

At the foot of Songshan Mountain, Songyang Academy, Zhongyue Temple, and Shaolin Temple are excellent representatives of this heritage. They represent a cultural panorama where Confucianism, Buddhism, and Taoism coexist harmoniously, which is in the same line with the thought of "the Great Harmony of the World". Confucianism advocates "harmony in diversity" and seeks harmony

for coexistence and growth. Daoism strives for harmony between man and nature, man and society, individuals with one another, and harmony within a person's body and mind. Buddhism is self-benefiting and altruistic, aiming to purify personal souls and the living environment of the community to achieve harmony in interpersonal relationships. There are many other similar cultural relics as well, such as the three Han Que gates, which recorded cultural exchanges between the Roman Empire and the Eastern Han Dynasty over 1,900 years ago. The Songyue Pagoda, built 1500 years ago, is an exemplary fusion of diverse civilizations from ancient India, Persia, the Western Regions, and China. The Ming Dynasty iron-cast bell at the Huishan Temple, inscribed with the names of merit donors, embodies the profound symbolism of different believers praying to build and share a better world with benevolent intentions, offering a perfect interpretation of the phrase "Hui Shan".



The inscription of "Three Religions and Nine Streams" in Shaolin Temple, the birthplace of Zen Buddhism



Dengfeng Zhongyue Temple - one of the oldest existing Taoist buildings in China



Dengfeng Songyang Academy - the birthplace of Cheng-Zhu school of Confucianism



In March 2022, Taoist priests of Zhongyue Temple in Dengfeng prayed for the victims of the air crash



In March 2009, we celebrated the fifth anniversary of the establishment of "Songshan Shaolin Temple Day" in California, USA. Abbot Shi Yongxin of Dengfeng Shaolin Temple presided over the prayer ceremony for world peace



In October 2014, the 3rd European Shaolin Cultural Festival,  
London, UK

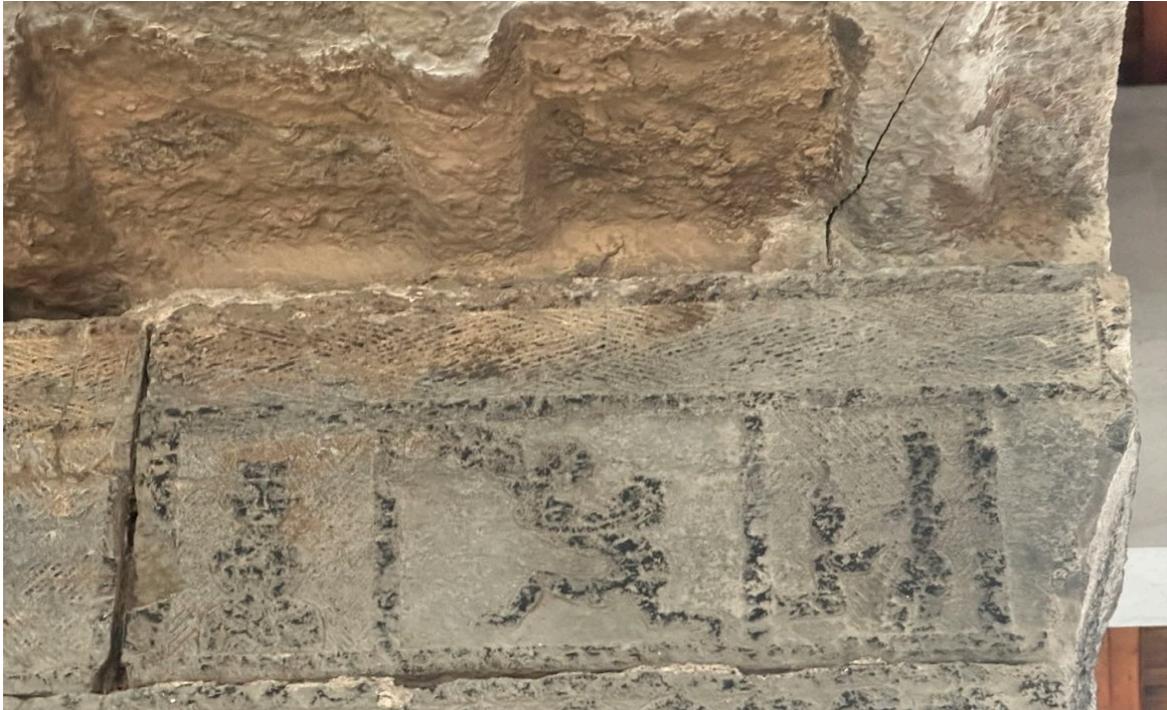


Photo of the Qimu Que at the prayer ceremony for world peace

4. Dengfeng has many revolutionary cultural relics of anti-invasion and peace-loving culture

Dengfeng is one of the nineteen resistance bases in China and served as the central hub for resistance against Japanese aggression in Henan Province. It is also the only county-level city in Zhengzhou municipality recognized as a comprehensive revolutionary old district. Today, within the boundaries of Dengfeng, more than 300 historical sites and battlefields from that era have been preserved. These include the command headquarters of the Henan Anti-Japanese Expeditionary Force in Western Henan, the rear hospital of the Eighth Route Army, and the former site of the command headquarters for the breakout at Nanwang Mountain. Several of these historical sites have received recognition from the People's Government of Henan Province, being designated as "National Defense Education Base," "Patriotic Education Base" at the municipal and county levels, and "Provincial Key Cultural Heritage Protection Unit". Especially on the Observatory, recognized as a World Cultural Heritage site, there are still visible marks of bombings left by the Japanese army during their invasion. In the local folklore of Dengfeng, many stories of resistance against the Japanese invaders have been passed down. Preserving these memories is not meant to incite revenge among the Chinese people, but rather to ensure that people from all around the world remember the brutality of war and cherish the value of peace.



Dengfeng Observatory was bombed by Japanese bombs in World War II



Former site of the command headquarters for the breakout at Nanwang Mountain



Descendants of the Eighth Route Army of the Anti-Japanese War in western Henan revisited Dengfeng



The command headquarters of the Henan Anti-Japanese Expeditionary Force in Western Henan, Dengfeng



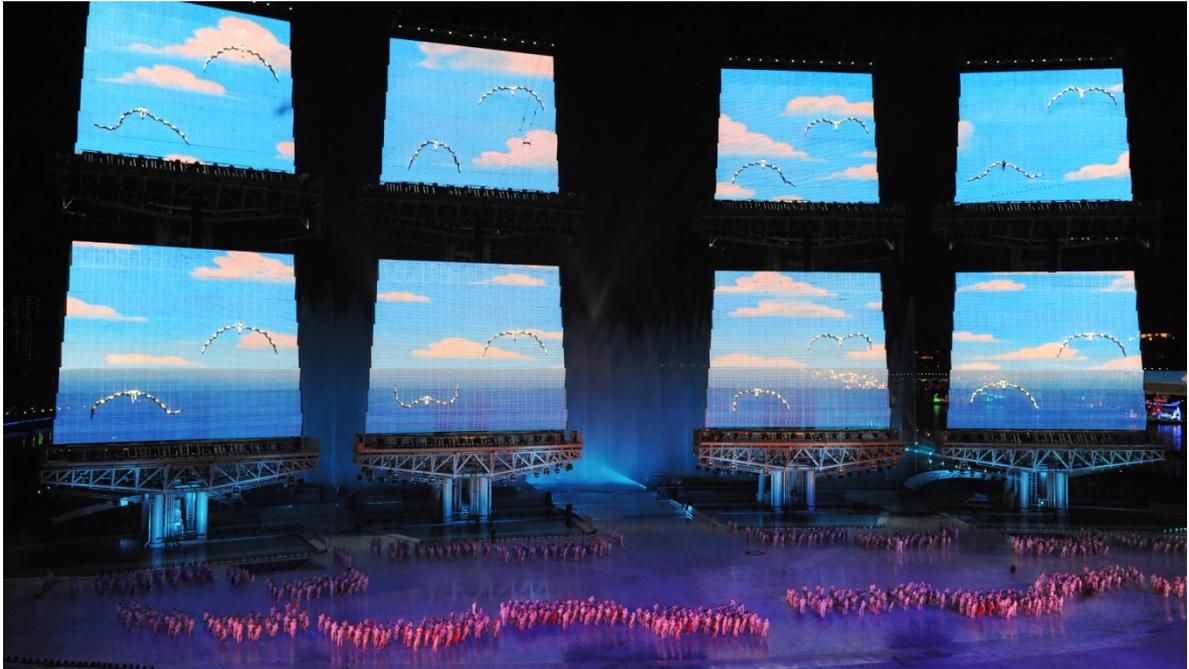
On April 1, 2022, middle school students in Dengfeng carried out activities to commemorate the Anti-Japanese War martyrs and pray for world peace at the Revolutionary Martyrs Memorial Hall

## II. Dengfeng's current peace efforts

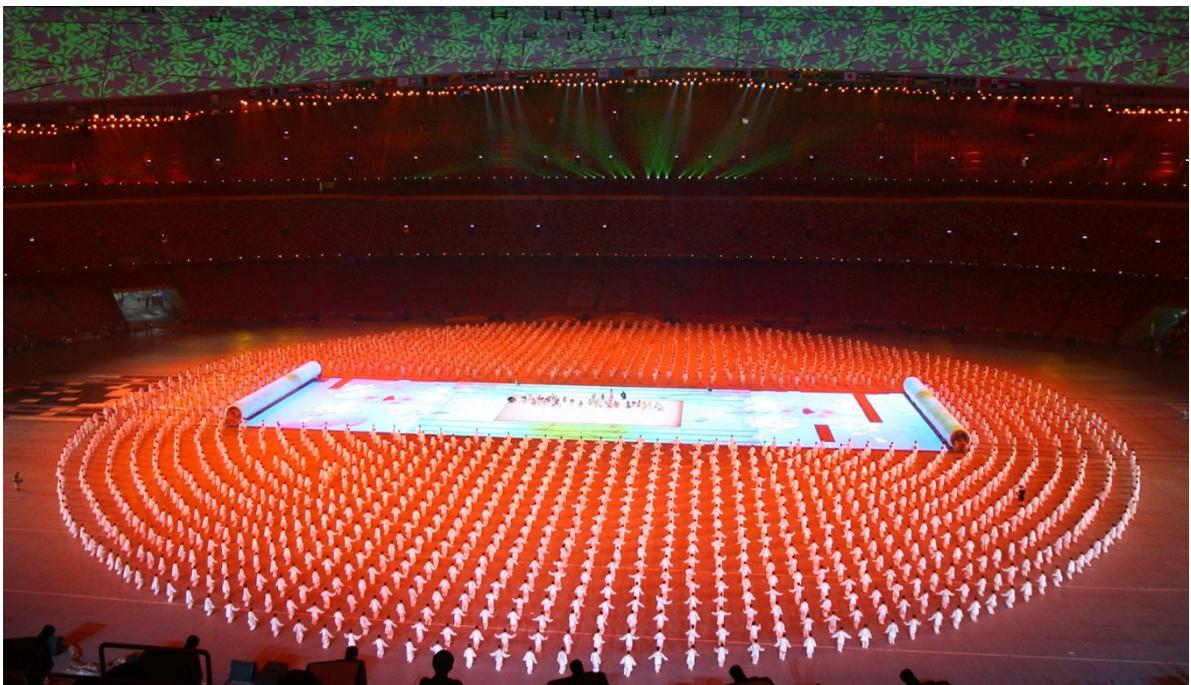
1. Shaolin Kungfu has made an important contribution to peace efforts

Shaolin Kung Fu, originating from the fusion of Buddhist and traditional Chinese cultures, is a testament to the exchange of cultures between China and the world. In recent years, Dengfeng, as the world's largest martial arts talent training and export base, has nurtured over 400,000 outstanding martial artists through more than

20 martial arts schools. Shaolin Kung Fu schools and martial arts training centers have been established in over 50 countries and regions. Each year, there are over 2,000 overseas tours of Shaolin martial arts performances, attracting more than 5 million international spectators. They also appeared in prominent events such as the APEC, the Athens Olympics, the Beijing Olympics, the Guangzhou Asian Games, and the G20 Hangzhou Summit. Shaolin Kung Fu has deepened its exchanges with various world cultures, becoming a significant cultural symbol in international exchanges. The characteristics of Songshan culture, "harmony in diversity" and "coexistence in harmony", are consistently demonstrated. In this process, Shaolin Kung Fu has overcome language barriers, navigated ideological and cultural differences, and effectively bridged the gaps between different civilizations, races, and religions in over 100 countries across six continents. The Shaolin Kung Fu performers have received high recognition from prominent figures such as Queen Elizabeth of the United Kingdom, Chancellor Merkel of Germany, former IOC President Rogge, former U.S. Secretary of State Kissinger, and others, making a positive contribution to the construction of a community with a shared future for humanity.



1,640 students from Dengfeng Tagou Martial Arts School participated in the opening ceremony of the 16th Asian Games in 2010, performing "Sail of White Clouds"



2,400 students from Dengfeng Tagou Martial Arts School performed "Nature" at the opening ceremony of the 2008 Olympic Games



26 students from Dengfeng Tagou Martial Arts School participated in the closing ceremony performance of the Beijing Winter Olympics



Dengfeng Tagou Martial Arts School performed "High Mountains and Flowing Water" in the 2016 Hangzhou G20 Summit



Dengfeng Tagou Martial Arts School participated in the opening ceremony of Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games and performed "Festival"



Dengfeng Tagou Martial Arts School participated in the opening ceremony of 2014 Nanjing Youth Olympic Games and performed "Tower of Dreams"



Dengfeng Tagou Martial Arts School performed "Send to the Future" at the closing ceremony of the 2008 Paralympic Games



Dengfeng Epo Martial Arts School participated in the closing ceremony performance of the 31st World University Games Summer



In April 2023, Dengfeng Shaolin Kung Fu School participated in the EA Karate Championships in Zhejiang Province





On February 14, 2023, Zhou Xiaoyang, a student from Dengfeng Shaolin Boxing School, represents the Chinese team in the ski jumping event at the Winter Olympics





In September 2012, Shaolin Kung Fu participated in the first European Shaolin Culture Festival



In October 2013, Shaolin monks performed at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, USA.



In October 2014, Shaolin Kung Fu performance was held in a community in London, UK.

2. The "Songshan Forum" has become an important platform for dialogue among world civilizations.

The Songshan Forum is currently the longest-running high-level international cultural forum in China. Each year, it invites domestic and international political figures and experts to participate. Centered around themes like the dialogue between Chinese civilization and world civilizations, the forum provides a platform for dialogue to collectively build a peaceful world and engage in exchanges between

world civilizations. It has achieved numerous fruitful outcomes. Since 2012, the forum has been continuously held for 11 consecutive sessions, during which more than 500 experts and scholars from different countries have contributed their reflections in different ways to addressing current global challenges and exploring future directions for humanity. The forum has established a valuable platform for dialogue between world civilizations, opening the door to multi-level and multi-dimensional dialogues between tradition and modernity, China and the West, science and religion, as well as between genders, classes, regions and countries, and enhancing mutual understanding among peoples. The forum advocates for the "heart of benevolence" in dealing with all things in the world, promoting dialogue between civilizations, eliminating estrangement and misunderstandings, strengthening and safeguarding common human values, and striving for an ideal world where "all under heaven returns to benevolence." It has played a significant role in representing China's voice, promoting global peace and stability, and advancing the progress and development of all humankind. Through joint efforts in organizing international peace forums and high-level international peace academic symposia, the Songshan Mountain Forum has

contributed to the construction of Dengfeng as an international peace city by creating a top-notch international academic platform for peace studies.



On September 20, 2012, Du Weiming, Dean of the Institute for Advanced Humanities at Peking University, Academician of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and Vice President of the International Society for Chinese Philosophy, delivered a keynote speech



Exchanges between Chinese and foreign experts and scholars at the 2012 Songshan Forum on Chinese and World Civilization



Leaders and guests attending the 2013 Songshan Forum on Chinese and World Civilization



On August 22, 2014, experts and scholars at the Annual Meeting of Songshan Forum exchanged views.



2015 Annual Meeting of Songshan Forum on the 45th

Anniversary of the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between  
China and Italy & the “Belt and Road” Sino-Italian Cooperation  
Seminar



On September 12, 2015, Ding Kuisong (right), Secretary General of the China International Culture Exchange Center, and Zhang Yi (left), Executive Chairman of EUCNC, exchanged letters of intent to establish the EU-China Urban Development Federation.



American economist Thomas J. Sargent, the 2011 Nobel Prize winner in economists, delivered a keynote speech at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Songshan Forum.



On October 16, 2021, experts and scholars at home and abroad discussed global dialogue and the future of mankind via video

### **3.The concept of peace is widely spread in the communities and the cultural tourism and education industries**

(1)Colorful activities concerning harmony and peace in communities In Dengfeng, the concept of peace and harmony is deeply rooted in the mind of the people. It is reflected by traditional Chinese festivals such as the Dragon Boat Festival and Mid-Autumn Festival, as well as the 24 solar terms, which are the intangible cultural heritage of mankind and run through all aspects of social life. From kindergartens to nursing homes, from schools to hospitals, from cities to villages, colorful and diverse community activities related to peace and harmony are held.



Dengfeng community residents make sachets to pray for peace and happiness during Dragon Boat Festival



Children from Dengfeng Community Kindergarten accompanied the elderly in the nursing home to celebrate the Double Ninth Festival for the Elderly



Doctors from Dengfeng General Hospital popularize health knowledge to the elderly in the community.



On June 21, 2023, the Gaochengzhen Community, Dengfeng held the Summer Solstice Music Festival in the Star Observation Scenic Area.

Residents of Songyangqiao Community in Dengfeng held



celebrations for Mid-Autumn Festival, National Day and Neighborhood Festival.

(2)Leveraging its cultural tourism strengths, Dengfeng spreads

the ideals of peace. On significant occasions such as World Tourism Day on September 27th and the International Mayors' Forum on Tourism, Dengfeng hosts diverse activities to extensively promote the positive and peaceful ideals embedded in the culture of Songshan Mountain. This is done to expand its influence among tourists from all around the world.



Speech by guests at the International Mayor's Forum on Tourism, Zhengzhou



Guests attending the International Mayor's Forum on Tourism, Zhengzhou come to Dengfeng for friendly exchanges

(3)Dengfeng actively promotes peace education. Firstly, Dengfeng has incorporated Shaolin martial arts education into its primary and secondary school curriculum, making Shaolin martial arts a mandatory subject for physical education exams when students transition from junior high to high school. This approach helps instill the peaceful ideals into the hearts and minds of students. Secondly, starting from 2023, efforts have been made to introduce peace education courses in secondary schools in the city. Thirdly, there are plans to collaborate with Songshan Shaolin Wushu College to promote the establishment of a peace culture research association in Dengfeng.



Dengfeng middle school students are actively promoting peace education.



Dengfeng middle school students carried out peace education in classroom



Elementary school students in Dengfeng practiced martial arts exercises to keep fit



Elementary and middle school students in Dengfeng went to the former headquarters of the Anti-Japanese Base Area in Western Henan to receive peace practice education

### III. Practical challenges

Against the backdrop of significant shifts in the global landscape, the resurgence of new Cold War mentalities, and the increasing prominence of international confrontations, it is a long road ahead to determine how to articulate and convey the positive and peaceful significance and ideals embedded in the culture of Songshan Mountain, and how to present these ideals and make them understood and accepted by a broader audience.

### IV. The vision, mission and goals of building an international city of peace

It is precisely because we have a good vision for Dengfeng to become a city of peace that we sincerely and actively submit the application today. We are confident that Dengfeng will become a member of the international city of peace.

First, being an international city of peace will boost Dengfeng's urban development. Since the 1980s, with the increasing popularity of Shaolin Temple, Dengfeng has become the region with the largest number of international tourists among the county-level cities in China. Therefore, Dengfeng has begun to move towards an

international tourist city. However, due to the limitations of our vision and some constraints on objective conditions, the urban development of Dengfeng is inefficient. From 2018 to 2021, we have organically updated the urban infrastructure. For example, we upgraded major roads in the urban area comprehensively, replaced the supply and drainage pipelines, increased the green area by more than 1 million square meters, and built more than 20 urban parks. In addition, we set urban communities, set service personnel, make clear the relationship between the mountain and the city, and optimized the facilities of scenic spots. The appearance of Dengfeng has been greatly improved. But there is still something to improve, such as the international elements concerning the city's cultural resources, the international vision of local people, and the understanding of the city by international friends who love peace and beauty, all of which are not enough. Becoming an international city of peace will certainly help this city make greater progress.

Furthermore, it will enhance the sense of happiness of local people. Becoming an international city of peace will definitely make local people feel proud and strengthen their awareness of peace. That can also strengthen people's understanding and self-identity of the

city. People will have more expectations for a better future, which will profoundly change the temperament and human ecology of the city, offering residents with a higher sense of happiness. Especially for young people, a peaceful city, a peaceful country, a peaceful diplomacy, and a peaceful future may become their life pursuits.

At the same time, there will be more and more meaningful international exchanges. If peace becomes a consensus in this city, the city will be attractive to more and more people. That promotes exchanges with different cities, regions, industries and even different countries, which will definitely advance mutual understanding, enhance people's friendship and exchanges, and help the city of Dengfeng to be more international and foster an international view.

Then, the concept of being active and peaceful contained in Songshan culture will be spread more widely. Developing continuously for thousands of years, the Songshan human civilization is the mainstream of Chinese civilization. It is of historical and practical significance for the exchanges between different human civilizations. For example, the geological evolution of Songshan Mountain tells that the emergence of human beings has a certain degree of contingency and uncertainty, and we should cherish all of

the things we have. It exactly reflects the characteristics of Chinese civilization, such as continuity, innovation, tolerance, unity and peace. It is where different cognitions, different beliefs, different customs, and different nationalities coexist and develop harmoniously and has become an example to solve the world's Cold War mentality and dispel the awareness of confrontation. The brand of an international city of peace will help spread these positive peace concepts.

The joining of Dengfeng as a member of the International Peace Cities Alliance will show the world more about the east. It is an international platform for China's famous historical and cultural cities and tourist cities to spread their pursuit of peace, arousing people's reflection on history and culture and real development. That strengthens the peace force and encourages exchanges and dialogues between different civilizations.

To this end, we will courageously undertake the following missions:

First, we will better protect the common heritage of mankind. The Songshan Mountain in Dengfeng is one of the first batch of world geological parks, which shows the geological evolution of the earth over the past 3.6 billion years. It can be called an encyclopedia of

geology shared by all mankind. The “Center of Heaven and Earth” is a historical building complex with a total of 11 items in 8 sections. As China's 39th world cultural heritage, it presented the Chinese people’ s effort and achievements in development, unity, resolution of conflicts, and achieving consensus for at least two thousand years. That has important reference significance for the peaceful development among different civilizations today. The twenty-four solar terms formed in Dengfeng are the intangible cultural heritage of mankind, embodying the scientific spirit of ancient China. It is important to farming work in China. It helps improve agricultural harvest greatly, influences the Chinese people's health concept and enriches the Chinese festival customs. Shaolin Kung Fu, China's national intangible cultural heritage, is the most vivid and intuitive cultural image of Chinese people in the eyes of people worldwide. It embodies the new religious philosophy with the combination of Indian Buddhist culture and Chinese culture. It reflects Chinese people’ s opinions on desires, confusion, and violence. These precious heritages include a mountain with a main distribution area of more than 150 square kilometers and 367 historical buildings of different eras built from various materials from 118 AD to 1942. We have the

responsibility and confidence to protect them well.

Second, we will improve the interpretation of Songshan culture and show it to world. Songshan culture is mainly composed of ideas and concepts. It is a living, diverse and peaceful culture that has universal significance to mankind. In the process of excavation, sorting out, inheritance and utilization, we should be neither imposing nor self-admiring and self-indulgent. Everyone likes beautiful things. We have the responsibility to make Songshan culture more beautiful. We will always insist on communicating with others with an equal attitude and in the international language. We will show our culture peacefully, and learn from each other with an inclusive attitude. We will show our culture proactively, and listen to others with humility and peace. We will help spread good cultural philosophy and resolutely put an end to self-enclosure, self-indulgence, and arrogance. We do not agree with blind worship, copinism, and self-deprecation.

Third, we will commit to the international exchange and dissemination of the culture of peace. Dengfeng is a mountain city located in the inland of China, but it has convenient transportation and beautiful scenery. It is also a city with more successful international exchanges among the county-level cities in China. Generally, more

than 500,000 foreign tourists come here every year. And many countries' overseas training bases of martial arts sports centers are established here, such as Malaysia and Indonesia. The International Shaolin Wushu Festival held every two years usually attracts thousands of martial arts athletes from more than 100 countries and regions. The permanent site of the Songshan Forum that focuses on exchanges and mutual learning between different civilizations of mankind is located here, attracting scholars who are committed to peace and exchanges of civilizations from dozens of countries in the world. The permanent venue of the International Mayor's Forum on Tourism is set in Zhengzhou, where mayors from many tourist cities around the world will come here during the event. The Shaolin Temple has also held the International Buddhist and Medicine Forum, the Global Shaolin Kung Fu Examination Conference, the national-scale debate, and the Zen Chess Conference. We will make good use of these international and domestic events to spread the culture and concept of peace. Every year, we celebrate the International Day of Peace on September 21, the World Tourism Day on September 27, the National Day of the People's Republic of China on October 1, and the incoming Mid-Autumn Festival. We integrate Dengfeng's tourism

industry with the promotion of peace and the display of peace achievements, to promote the development of cultural tourism and spread the international concept of peace.

Fourth, we will help more tourist cities develop into international cities of peace. The concept of peace should be continuously inherited and carried forward, and peaceful actions also need to be spread among different cities. We will make good use of Dengfeng's advantages and influence in China's cultural tourism industry to spread the significance of building an international city of peace and inherit the concept of cherishing peace, allowing more cities in China, especially historical and cultural cities and world tourism cities, to understand peace, support peace, and share peace, encouraging them to join the International Peace Cities Alliance so as to grow the force of peace.

Fifth, we will do a good job in peace education to foster the awareness of peace of young people. We will actively interact with primary and secondary school students, and carry out peace education courses in more primary and secondary schools. We oppose the mind of indifference, the Cold War, confrontation and bullying, so that the concept of peace can be deeply rooted in people's mind, cultivating

successors to the cause of peace.

Sixth, we will actively carry out research and strive for the teaching chair of “Kung Fu and Peace” for local colleges and universities. China's peaceful rise is not a threat to other countries. The fierce and bravery Shaolin Kung Fu is not formed for the admiration of violence and wanton bullying of others. There are more and more countries and cities in the world support the construction of Shaolin Cultural Center, which fully proves that people have a strong pursuit of true peace, true communication, and true kindness. In Dengfeng, there are currently 22 schools, with more than 100,000 students enrolled, who come from all over the world. In their daily practice and training, people are increasingly aware of the wisdom contained in Shaolin Kung Fu, which is a Chinese plan to stop violence and confrontation and is also an important way for people to overcome themselves and improve themselves. More and more entrepreneurs around the world are absorbing wisdom and nutrition from meditation and Kung Fu and cultivating positive concepts, which have significantly improved their personal health and career development. Therefore, we will organize universities and martial arts education departments in Dengfeng to carry out in-depth research on

“Kung Fu and Peace” and strive to set up a teaching chair here.

With a beautiful vision and a historical mission, we have set our own goals in the face of such a meaningful event as building an international city of peace:

The first is to continue to do a good job in the protection and inheritance of human heritage. We will have more than 500 tour guides and commentators in Dengfeng understand the peace culture and city of peace, and encourage them to devote themselves to the promotion of the concept of peace. At the same time, we make full use of media channels to promote the international city of peace and the significance of maintaining world peace among Dengfeng's 730,000 citizens and millions of tourists every year.

The second is to select one primary school and one secondary school in Dengfeng, and carry out courses concerning peace in three classes. We will train some volunteers to promote the concept of peace to family members, friends and classmates. In three to five years, the peace course will be gradually extended to most campuses in Dengfeng.

The third is to set up “Kung Fu and Peace” professorships recognized by the United Nations in colleges and universities in

Dengfeng.

The fourth is to set peace study topics at major festivals and large-scale international and domestic forums every year, and invite experts and scholars with wide influence to deliver speeches at the conference no less than three times a year.

Fifth, we will actively advocate peace and help more tourist cities to join the International Peace Cities Alliance. We will use three to five years to help more cities across China to become international cities of peace.

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