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To: Open Government Partnership (OGP) – OGP Local

Dear OGP Local Team,

As Mayor of the Municipality of Contagem, I send this letter to reaffirm our commitment to the OGP guidelines and to express our interest in continuing our partnership, encouraging and applying the principles of open government in our municipality, to continue developing and implementing fairer and more effective public policies for our citizens.

Since we began our cooperation, we have made important progress in Contagem. We have worked on the commitments agreed in the Action Plan that increased popular participation and promoted the inclusion of underrepresented groups in the construction of public policies. I'll share some of these advances below.

The first is the institutionalization of open government practices. In order to guarantee the continuity of open government actions in our municipality, we passed the Law No. 5443/2023, which deals with the Municipal Policy for Popular and Citizen Participation - PMPPC and the Municipal System for Popular and Citizen Participation in Contagem - SMPPC, aiming to encourage and consolidate popular and citizen participation as a public policy, recognizing participation as a citizen's right through the adoption of participatory channels and processes in municipal government programs.

With the implementation of the "Decide Contagem" platform, based on Decidim's free and open-source software, we have broadened the scope of participatory processes. It centralizes the main information, dates and locations of seminars, commemorative agendas, participatory budget discussions, municipal conferences and council activities (policy, rights and regional), as well as public consultation processes and participatory forms.

For the development of our Multi-Year Plan (PPA - Plano Plurianual), which is the document that guides and defines the government's programs, actions, guidelines, objectives and goals for the next four years, we launched Contagem's Participatory PPA, aiming to listen and include the population in the local government decision-making, directing what the residents' priorities are in the planning of the actions that will be carried out by the government through a public consultation.

With the creation of the Villages and Favelas Improvement Program and the implementation of the Villages and Favelas Council, we hope to reduce social and territorial inequalities, guarantee more security, mobility and access to leisure centers, strengthening the public

administration dialogue with more than 96,000 people in nearly 100 villages and favelas in the municipality.

We are actively including the population in choosing and prioritizing interventions throughout the city. With the help of the regional councils 77 interventions were indicated by the residents of each of Contagem's eight regional areas, resulting in an investment of more than R\$ 36 million to solve local problems that directly affect residents.

We hope to make further progress in transparency, participation, and inclusion, and, with this aim, we are developing the Contagem Open Data Portal. Since 2022, we have dedicated ourselves to improving the Transparency Portal, expanding the availability of information of public interest, and reinforcing our active transparency actions. These improvements are evidenced by the results achieved in the National Public Transparency Program (PNTP – Programa Nacional de Transparência Pública), a national evaluation carried out annually by the Association of Members of the Brazilian Courts of Auditors (ATRICON): Contagem's Transparency Portal went from an intermediate index in 2022 to the gold level in 2024.

For the next Action Plan, we are planning initiatives on issues that are still little explored in our municipality: with the support of universities and civil society organizations, we hope to co-create commitments in gender equity, environment, open justice and fiscal openness.

The Municipal Comptroller's Office will continue to manage and monitor the projects and actions in Contagem, bringing together relevant municipal departments, civil society organizations and academia to ensure compliance with OGP requirements.

Before ending this letter, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to be part of this important partnership. Through it, we have connected with various institutions and exchanged a wealth of experiences, which have allowed Contagem to advance in open government practices. Confident in our ability to further develop these practices, we express our interest in renewing our partnership with OGP.

Sincerely.

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