We, the Civil Society Organizations who have attended the 5th International NGO Forum on World Heritage at Risk organized by World Heritage Watch on 22-23 June 2018 in Bahrain, coming from 24 countries in 6 continents, as active and concerned citizens dealing with Natural and Cultural World Heritage properties at different places, would like to bring the following to the attention of the World Heritage Committee:

Resolution

On Liverpool - Maritime Mercantile City World Heritage Site

The recommendations and Draft Decision 42 COM 7A.7 in the Report to the 42nd Session of the World Heritage Committee on Liverpool - Maritime Mercantile City should be supported and suggested that item 10. Decides to retain Liverpool – Maritime Mercantile City (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) on the List of World Heritage in Danger be accepted as proposed whilst recognising that items 8 and 9 request to the State Party that by 1st February 2019 further documentary evidence must be provided for examination by the World Heritage Committee at its 43rd session in 2019.

The Forum welcomes item 4 which acknowledges the increasing engagement of civil society in the care of the World Heritage property and its status, in particular the organization “Engage Liverpool” and expresses its gratitude to the World Heritage Centre in Paris for the support they have given to the efforts being made in Liverpool to retain their UNESCO WHS status.

The Forum recognises that Liverpool - Maritime Mercantile City World Heritage Site has many supporters among its citizens and civic organisations and that as a result the mood is changing to one of support for and valuing of its unique world heritage status and requests members of the 42nd Session of the WHC to encourage this new moment and allow time for the State Party to demonstrate their commitment and determination to implement the recommendations of the 42nd Session.

Manama, 23 June 2018