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Following the suggestion of the *Associazione Protezione Civile Gruppo Lucano* [Association of Volunteers of Civil Defence "*Gruppo Lucano*"] I had the opportunity to study the Campaign "Making Cities Resilient" undertaken by the UNISDR. I found the Campaign of extreme interest and very useful for the small community that I represent as Mayor. We would like to participate in the Campaign as a "Participant City". In addition we have submitted a request to participate for approval to the next City Council Meeting.

It is our intention to commit, to the best of our abilities, to the implementation of the resilience plans that we have identified in the enclosed nomination form. It is our strong belief that the best defence against disasters lies in the involvement of local communities (large and small) and their institutions, which operate directly in the territory and have the best knowledge of it. For this reason our Town has created a large association of Civil Defense Volunteers which has grown to involve in its activities more than 8% of the adult population. This represents a very significant achievement in Civil Defence.

One of our main objectives is to complete the Civil Defense process of risk reduction and preparedness through a diffuse education of the population to potential risks and to the best techniques of risk prediction and prevention. It is our sincere belief that this is in accordance with the objectives of the Campaign "Making Cities Resilient".

Yours Sincerely,



Ms. Domenica Orofino
Mayor