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After the large earthquake that, on 23/11/1980, has left a deep wound on Muro Lucano urban area and on its population, we understood that a city can be resilient only if, beside the structures, are resilient its people. This resilience can be achieved only with training and educational programs to increase the preparedness to disasters.

Recently the Association of Civil Defence "*Gruppo Lucano*", which successfully operates in Muro Lucano, has presented to me the scope of the Campaign "Making Cities Resilient". I believe that the initiative taken by the UNISDR is praise deserving for being able to bring together the experiences of cities all over the world.

Much has been done and much remains to be done, but it is our intention to commit, to the best of our abilities, to the implementation of the resilience plans that our community has identified. This will complete the virtuous cycle of the Civil Defence system making our Town much better prepared to event like the one of 1980.

It is a great honor for me to underwrite the participation of Muro Lucano to the campaign as a "Participant City". I have also submitted this nomination, for approval, to the next Town Council Meeting.

Your Sincerely,



Dr. Gerardo Mariani
Mayor