19.71 Possible World Heritage Site at Parati, Brazil

CONSIDERING the universal importance of the historic architectonic natural setting of the Municipality of Parati, located in the State of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil;

CONSIDERING that the Brazilian official cultural system has already designated that setting as National Heritage;

CONSIDERING the wish of the inhabitants of this municipality, who are ultimately the guardians of this valuable heritage, to see Parati recognized as a World Heritage Site;

RECALLING that the Brazilian Government and UNESCO have already recognized the region as a Biosphere Reserve;

RECOGNIZING that the meeting of IUCN South American members in Parati, Brazil, in 1992, supported these claims;

The General Assembly of IUCN - The World Conservation Union, at its 19th Session in Buenos Aires, Argentina, 17-26 January 1994:

URGES the Brazilian authorities to assess the historic city of Parati against the operational guidelines developed by the World Heritage Committee with a view to proposing it as a World Heritage site for its natural and cultural values.