

Declaration of the Nation of Dova

Established June 30, 2024

Article I – Territory and Location

The Nation of Dova is currently located at 7301 Radcliffe Drive, College Park, Maryland. The Nation of Dova includes the house on the property and boundaries of our micronation include the land as shown on the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation website, Prince George’s County search of 15,555 square feet. As well as the all that property situated in Prince George’s County, State of Maryland as described as:

Lot numbered Thirty-seven (37) in the subdivision known as “**Lots 36, 37, AND 38, BLOCK C, YARROW**” as per plat thereof recorded in **Plat Book W.W.W. 56 at folio 84**, among the Land Records of Prince George’s County, Maryland. See attachments A & B.

Our two vehicles—a white 2000 Dodge Neon, VIN number 1B3ES46C9YD867461 and a 2002 Gold Dodge Neon, VIN number 1B3ES26C82D657669—are also considered part of our territory. Our internet domain is <https://nation-of-dova.world>.

Article II – Sovereignty and Leadership

We declare that we rule all locations of the Nation of Dova, whether physical or an internet domain, as our sovereign territory. I, **JAIME JAVIER VAZQUEZ SALDANA**, Emperor, am the official leader of this nation and will rule until I step down or natural causes claim my physical body. **KATHLEEN LOUISE D’OVIDIO**, Empress, will rule at my side. Upon my inability to rule, **KATHLEEN LOUISE D’OVIDIO**, Empress, shall assume leadership under the same conditions.

Article III – Legal Basis of Statehood

The Montevideo Convention on the Rights and Duties of States, signed in 1933, codifies the declarative theory of statehood. This theory holds that an entity becomes a state by fulfilling certain objective criteria, regardless of recognition by other states. Article 1 lists the qualifications for statehood as:

1. Permanent population
2. Defined territory
3. Government capable of effective control over territory and population
4. Capacity to enter into relations with other states

Article IV – Founding History and Inspiration

In early June 2024, Empress **KATHLEEN LOUISE D’OVIDIO** discovered micronations through an educational video on YouTube. Inspired by this, she discussed the idea with Emperor **JAIME JAVIER VAZQUEZ SALDANA**, and together they founded the Nation of Dova in late June 2024.

Article V – Vision and Motto

The vision of the Nation of Dova is to realize maximum freedom, liberty, creativity, and to celebrate our Roman Catholic faith with joy and peace. Our objective is to always be a peaceful, loving, generous, and compassionate nation. Our national motto is “Deus Vult,” meaning “God wishes it so.” This motto is represented on our family crest, flag, website, and other items as deemed appropriate by the Emperor.



Article VI – Commerce and Barter System

The Nation of Dova operates a barter system of commerce. We welcome trade with any Nation or Micronation with items of equal value to those we offer. We produce many items on our homestead, primarily food and crafts. We also offer various services including language translation and interpretation and other skills such as tool and knife sharpening. We will accept foreign currencies only if they can be immediately converted to equal value for trade. All trading activities and acceptance of foreign currencies for barter are subject to the Emperor **JAIME JAVIER VAZQUEZ SALDANA’s** discretion at any time.

The official all-caps names of the Emperor, **JAIME JAVIER VAZQUEZ SALDANA and Empress KATHLEEN LOUISE D’OVIDIO**, are used in their official capacity to affirm the use of the mark and to denote the identity of the owners and rulers of the governmental and commercial micro nation, Nation of Dova, in the conduct of our commercial and barter-based activities. This includes, but is not limited to, the imprinting of the all -caps names on goods such as pens, business cards, documents, and correspondence related to national and

intermicronational trade. This use constitutes bona fide use in commerce under applicable law, including the Lanham Act (15 U.S.C. §1127), and Uniform Commercial Code §2-304(1), which recognizes exchange of goods or services (barter) as valid consideration in commerce.

Article VII – Government Structure and Citizenship

The Nation of Dova is an Empire under imperial edicts. Citizens who join are considered subjects and receive titles at the Emperor’s behest. Currently, only family members are eligible for citizenship.

Article VIII – National Holidays

Our national holidays reflect our Catholic faith and so we celebrate all Catholic holidays as well as:

March 30: Catholic Wedding Day of Emperor and Empress

May 18: Empress **KATHLEEN LOUISE D’OVIDIO’s** Birthday

June 30: National Kiss Day

August 13: Emperor **JAIME JAVIER VAZQUEZ SALDANA’s** Birthday

October 12: Columbus’s Discovery of America and Emperor/Empress Union Day

December 9: International Travel Adventures Day

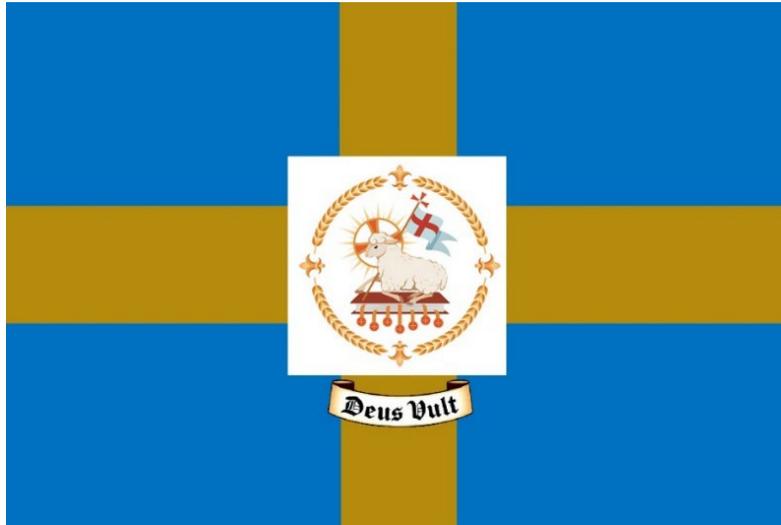
Additional holidays may be added at the Emperor’s command.

Article IX – Cultural Heritage

Our family crest combines the Puerto Rican heritage of Emperor **JAIME JAVIER VAZQUEZ SALDANA** and the Italian Abruzzian heritage of Empress **KATHLEEN LOUISE D’OVIDIO**. The crest is displayed on our website and business cards.



Our national flag is based on the Puerto Rican flag with colors inspired by Abruzzo and Spain—blue and gold.



Article X – Language and Communication

The official languages of the Nation of Dova are English and Spanish. The government also has varying competency in Italian, French, Portuguese, Latin, and Russian.

Article XI – Security and Operations

We use security cameras and modern technology to ensure the safety of our micronation. In addition, we have signs around the property which display the following:

WARNING - Under International Law - ATTENTION
Official Public Notice – Welcome to our Micro Nation,
THE NATION of DOVA

LEGAL NOTICE of FOREIGN PROPERTY
PRIVATE NON-U.S. JURISDICTION BEYOND THIS POINT

NO Trespassing - NO Solicitation - NO Process Servers -
NO Federal Jurisdiction - NO U.S. Law Enforcement-NO Local Legal
Enforcement - NO Local Code Enforcement
Authorized Subjects or Invites Only – Non U.S. Territory!

To all persons including process servers & law enforcement etc. You by law are hereby to take due notice that this property is defined as being “Foreign Jurisdiction to the United States”! Entry is solely at the discretion of the Emperor of the Nation of Dova. You are not to assume any form of jurisdictions and in doing so you have violated international treaties. You may be fined

\$100K U.S.A dollars personally and or directly to your representative agency per person / per incident or up to 5 years in jail. Contact your CEO, CFO or CO immediately for proper instruction unless given permission to enter this Micro-Nation / Private State via the Lord / Emperor. The Emperor will be addressed as such upon entering this private Empire. By presence on the land, driveway, patio or porch or granted entry you agree and understand all this information, penalties and powers. Immediate loss of U.S. authority, powers and rights are expressly implied! The surrounding land/property is also considered Imperial territory and thus subject to the jurisdictional powers of the Emperor.

“Revocation of Implied License” and “Right to Exclude due to Foreign Jurisdiction” Anyone including Gov., Gov Officials, Law Enforcement. Constitutional – United States of America Republic – Foreign Relations

24Hr. VIDEO SURVEILLANCE

Contact: Department of Foreign Affairs & Policy
Dept. of State - (202) 647-6575 / U.S. Consulate

Fines of \$5,000.00 U.S.A. dollars per person/ per incident is in effect for entering the Imperial property without permission.

Mail delivery of USPS, FEDERAL EXPRESS, UPS, DHL as well as Medical, Fire, valid 4th Amendment Constitutional warrant signed by a judge showing probable cause for specific person or items to be searched or removed only are exempt and will be allowed entry at Emperor’s discretion or the use of mail box, porch or patio. The door bell and or door knocking is not to be considered normal public use so please be advised except where otherwise instructed.

ENTRY: Official contact is Emperor JAIME JAVIER VAZQUEZ SALDANA and if he is not available then contact Empress KATHLEEN LOUISE D’OVIDIO. Mail box letter to 7301 Radcliffe Dr. College Park, Maryland 20740. Address to: “The Most Illustrious Emperor or Empress” or by phone at: 301 474-2818 using the same proper greetings of Emperor VAZQUEZ SALDANA or Empress D’OVIDIO.

Fines:

1. You may be fined \$100k U.S.A dollars personally and or directly to your representative agency per person / per incident to 5 years in jail.
2. Fines of \$5,000.00 U.S.A. dollars per person/ per incident is in effect for entering the Imperial property without permission.
3. Our micronation operates daily, subject to the Emperor JAIME JAVIER VAZQUEZ SALDANA’s discretion. Contact can be made via phone @301 474-2818 or email at Info@nation-of-dova.world.

Article XII – Diplomatic Relations

We seek alliances with other micronations. Currently, we have recognition from the private micronation of Leviticus. Requests for alliances and treaties can be submitted via email at Info@nation-of-dova.world.

Article XIII – Jurisdictional Control and Prohibition of Unauthorized Access

The land and dwelling located at 7301 Radcliffe Drive, College Park, Maryland 20740, including its defined boundaries as recorded as Lot numbered Thirty-seven (37) in the subdivision known as “**Lots 36, 37, AND 38, BLOCK C, YARROW**” as per plat thereof recorded in **Plat Book W.W.W. 56 at folio 84**, among the Land Records of Prince George’s County, Maryland, are hereby reaffirmed as sovereign and inviolable territory of the Nation of Dova. See attachments A & B.

This territory is exempt from all external municipal, county, state, federal, and non-Dovan organizational authority, including but not limited to:

- City officials
- Neighborhood Associations and members of such Associations
- Public works and utilities contractors
- Code enforcement officers
- Process servers
- Surveyors
- Any person or entity not explicitly invited or authorized by the Emperor or Empress

Any attempt by an outside agent, political person, individual, or institution to conduct activity—such as surveying, construction, digging, inspections, utility upgrades, Yarrow sign/gate work, Nation of Dova grounds around the Yarrow sign/gate work, or legal enforcement of any rule, code or permit required under an outside authority—without formal diplomatic clearance and express written permission from the Emperor or Empress of the Nation of Dova constitutes a violation of Dovan sovereignty and shall be treated as trespass under foreign jurisdictional protections.

The Nation of Dova reserves the sovereign right to reject all forms of unilateral external activity on its land, unless such activity:

- Is explicitly agreed upon through a formal treaty
- Is permitted on a case-by-case basis by the Emperor or Empress in writing
- Complies with the exemption protocols for emergency services as already outlined in Article XI

Violators may be subject to penalties as described in posted legal notices, including financial sanctions of \$5,000 to \$100,000 per person per incident, and may be subject to formal protest or legal remedy through international or diplomatic channels.

This declaration is made in accordance with the Nation of Dova's sovereign right to self-govern, self-defend, and protect its territorial integrity, as recognized under natural law, private property rights, and the Montevideo Convention on the Rights and Duties of States (1933).

Article XIV – Defense Charter & Ceremonial Defense Force Structure

Defense Charter of the Nation of Dova

Section I – Purpose and Policy of Defense

The Nation of Dova recognizes the inherent right of all peoples to self-defense, as outlined in the Charter of the United Nations. As a peaceful sovereign entity, the Nation of Dova Empire shall defend its territory, culture, citizens, and sovereignty through lawful, non-aggressive, and proportionate means.

Section II – Territorial Integrity

The borders of the Nation of Dova, as defined in official records, shall be considered inviolate. Trespassing, vandalism, or unauthorized interference with the property of the Nation of Dova is considered an incursion and will be met with lawful protective actions consistent with local, state, and federal laws.

Section III – Principles of Non-Aggression

The Nation of Dova renounces all forms of aggressive war. We are a Nation of peace. The defense of Dova shall only be undertaken in response to:

- Unlawful entry onto Dovan territory
- Threats to the physical safety of Dovan citizens
- Attacks on the symbols, institutions, or dignity of the Nation of Dova

Section IV – Defense Mechanisms

The Nation of Dova shall maintain the following defensive strategies:

- Diplomatic Defense – Engaging in peaceful diplomacy with all nations and entities.
- Legal Defense – Retaining the right to defend Nation of Dova's property and sovereignty in court.
- Physical Defense – Protecting the property of Dova with lawful security measures including fencing, cameras, signage, and personal defensive training as permitted by law.
- Ceremonial Defense Force – Maintaining a symbolic military structure to honor the traditions of sovereignty and readiness.

Section V – Alliances and Mutual Defense

Nation of Dova shall form alliances and treaties with other micronations to promote peace and, where agreed upon, mutual support in the event of symbolic threats or attacks on dignity.

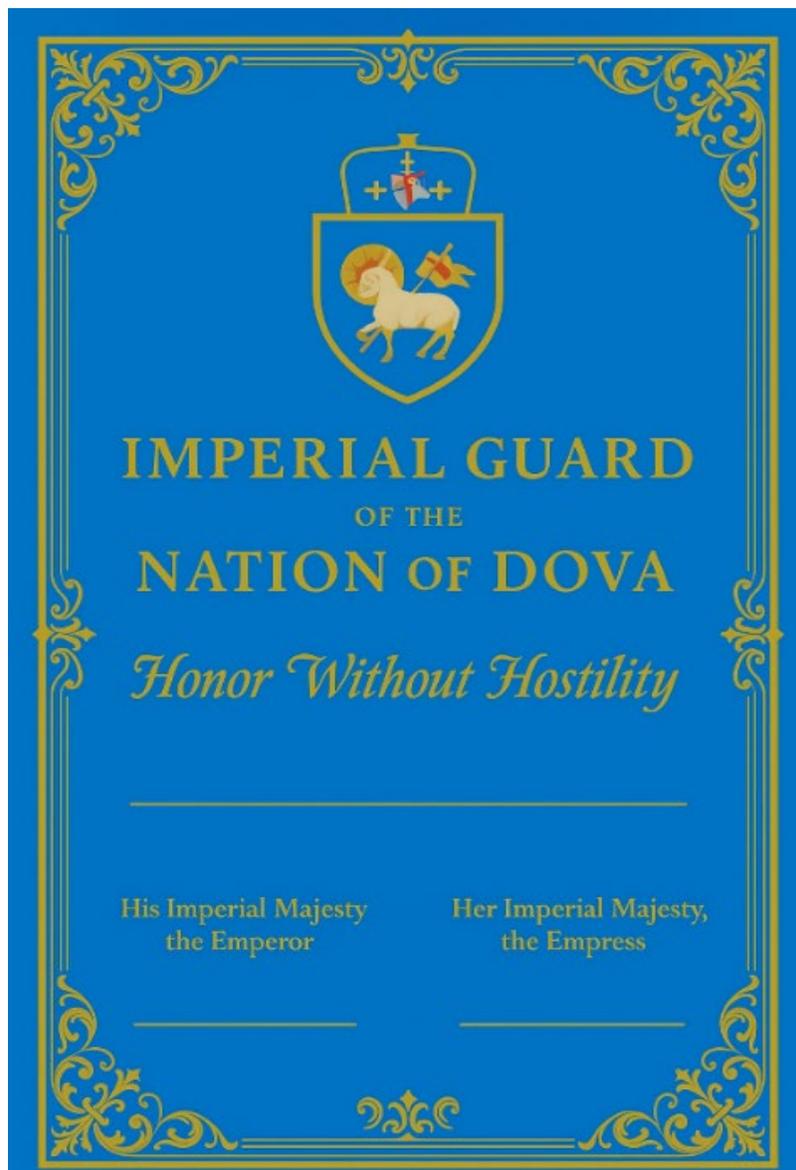
Section VI – Emergency Powers

In the event of a declared emergency, the Head of State may activate the "Order of National Vigilance," mobilizing all citizens of Dova for defensive action, limited strictly to peaceful, legal, and symbolic measures unless otherwise required by immediate circumstances and permitted by law.

Section VII – Military Honors and Traditions

The Nation of Dova shall maintain ceremonial ranks, uniforms, and traditions to honor the spirit of defense and patriotism, regardless of the absence of formal armed conflict.

Ceremonial Defense Force of Dova (CDFD)



a. Name:
The Imperial Guard of the Nation of Dova

b. Pledge:
“Honor Without Hostility”

c. Ranks:

Rank	Title	Role
Commander Sovereign	Head of State	Supreme Commander
Marshal of Dova	Appointed Official	Chief of Defense Ceremonies
Knight Protector	Senior Citizen Officer	Guardian of Traditions
Captain of the Guard	Junior Officer	Ceremony and Parade Coordinator
Sentinel	Member	Guardian of Dovan Property
Herald of Vigilance	Member	Oversees Communications & Alerts
Squire	Youth Member or Trainee	In training for ceremonial roles

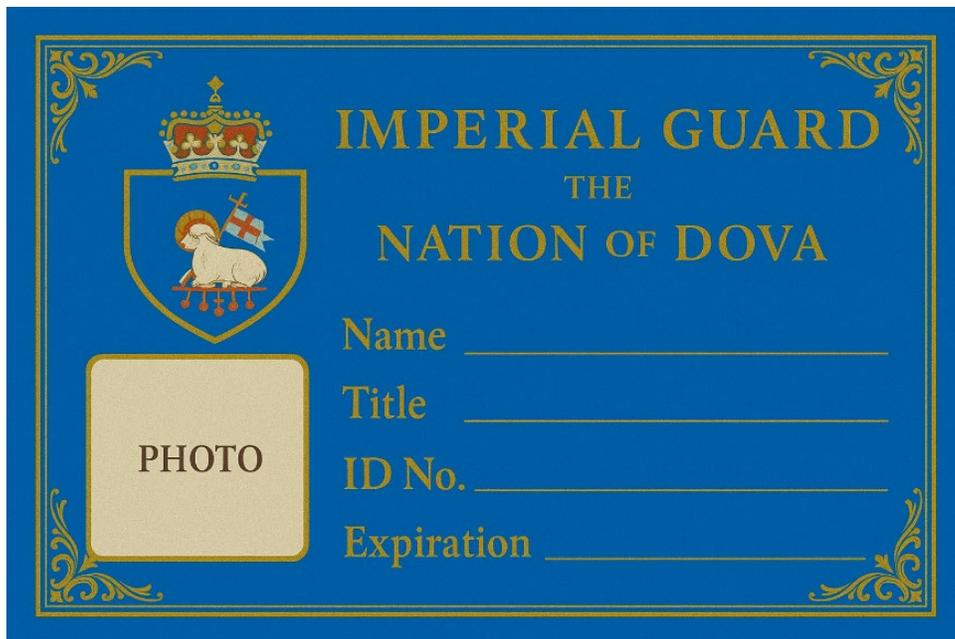
d. Uniform & Symbols:
Uniform Colors: Sky blue with gold trim, symbolizing vigilance and sovereignty.



- e. Headgear: Military style hat with Dovan crest.
- f. Ceremonial Weapon: Wooden staff or symbolic sword (non-functional, for parade use only).
- g. Insignia: Dova Flag, representing our motto, "Deus Vult".
- h. Ceremonial Duties:
 - 1) Parades and National Day Events
 - 2) Guarding the Dovan Banner at Events
 - 3) Hosting Diplomats and Micronation Guests
 - 4) Participating in Honorary Drills and Rituals
 - 5) Maintaining the "Watch of Vigilance" (symbolic rotation of citizen-guards)
- i. Ceremonial Oath:

"I pledge to defend the sovereignty of the Nation of Dova, not with violence, but with vigilance, honor, and steadfast spirit."
- j. Medals & Awards:
 - 1) Order of the Coquí – For loyalty and service
 - 2) Shield of Dova – For defense of territory or dignity
 - 3) Crown of Vigilance – For exceptional dedication to ceremonial roles
- k. Id Cards and other documents:

All potential Imperial Guard members must fill out security papers for a background check and be approved by the Emperor. Once approved, all members of the Imperial Guard must carry an Identification Card at all times for security purposes.



Therefore, we declare NATION OF DOVA to be an independent, sovereign and autonomous Empire. Signed and sealed, this _____ day of _____, year of our Lord, _____.

His Royal Majesty, Sovereign and Lord, JAIME JAVIER VAZQUEZ SALDANA, Emperor, Nation of Dova:

Her Royal Majesty, Sovereign and Lady. KATHLEEN LOUISE D'OVIDIO, Empress. Nation of Dova:

Article XV – Jurat and Notarization

Jurat

State of _____

County of _____

Signed and sworn (or affirmed) to before me on _____ (date)

By:

Signed: _____

Name Printed: _____

Signed: _____

Name Printed: _____

(Signature of Notary Public)

Name Printed: _____

(Seal)