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## WRITTEN DECLARATION

pursuant to Rule 116 of the Rules of Procedure

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on the preservation within the public domain of the historic Bordei park in Bucharest, threatened by a housing project

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**Written declaration on the preservation within the public domain of the historic Bordei park in Bucharest, threatened by a housing project**

*The European Parliament,*

- having regard to Rule 116 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the Bordei park, one of the oldest in Bucharest and one of the city's 'green lungs', of vital importance to its inhabitants, is now under threat,
- B. whereas this planned act of vandalism would have the sole purpose of creating an exclusive private quarter, thus handing over this public space to a privileged few,
- C. whereas, not for the first time, the Bucharest city council is acting contrary to the European commitment, as expressed by the EU's political leaders, to the need to protect the environment in order to ensure our planet's future,
- D. whereas this area has already suffered from the onslaught of Ceaușescu's megalomaniac policies, and it is now essential to preserve what is left of this piece of the European heritage,
- 1. Condemns with all possible force this housing project which threatens a park of national importance and its ecosystem;
- 2. Calls on the Council and Commission to insist that the Romanian government and the Bucharest city council must respect environmental policy, taking out legal proceedings if necessary;
- 3. Instructs its President to forward this declaration, together with the names of the signatories, to the Council, the Commission and the Government of Romania.