

HANSE-UND UNIVERSITÄTSSTADT ROSTOCK

Dear Mrs. Adamowicz,

When I heard of your husband Pawel Adamowicz's falling victim to such an inconceivable attack, I was struck with deep sorrow, as if I had lost a dear friend. Though I can hardly fathom what you must be going through in this moment, I wish you and your family strength in this time of grief. Please accept my sincerest sympathies.

I knew Pawel Adamowicz for many years as a politician and visionary. He made the city, its name and pulse well known all over the world. He made Gdansk an avant-garde of international city networking in the Baltic Sea region, generously supporting the Union of the Baltic Cities.

For me, the name Pawel Adamowicz will evermore stand for reliable partnership. As the mayor of one of the founding cities of the Baltic Sailing Association, he lived out the role of a keeper of maritime heritage in the Baltic Sea region. Together we were able to grow the maritime cooperation into a living thing.

Pawel Adamowicz was a wonderful person. The well-being of the people of Gdansk and the whole Baltic region has always been at the heart of all of his endeavours. But, despite his success he was always a man of great modesty, so it was symbolic for him to leave us while working for those who needed it the most. Gdansk and Rostock have lost an admirable person and valued friend. It is an honour to have met and worked with Pawel Adamowicz and I will perpetuate his memory forever.

Dear Mrs Adamowicz, I wish my words could console your pain. I feel for you and wish you and your family strength and inner peace during these challenging times.

My sincerest condolences,



Roland Methling

Mayor

Rostock, 16 January 2019