

Appendix A



Fujioka logo

Friendship City Agreement

Between the

City of Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada

and

City of Fujioka, Gunma, Japan

Preamble:

WHEREAS: It is recognized that there are significant benefits to a Friendship Agreement for the purpose of promoting open lines of communication, sharing knowledge and information regarding diverse cultures, languages and practices of each Party; and

WHEREAS: It is recognized that this Friendship Agreement will provide linkages and foster new and existing opportunities for a wide range of cultural, educational, recreational and economic benefits with community stakeholders in both municipalities; and

WHEREAS: The Friendship City Agreement, involves an official signing of the Agreement by the Mayors, or designated representatives, from the Parties, to promote strong and meaningful cultural and educational global cooperation and civic level engagement; and

WHEREAS: The Friendship City relationship is a demonstration of goodwill between the Parties (City of Regina and the City of Fujioka) that does not carry prescribed funding or other resources to achieve specific goals and objectives, apart from hospitality associated with a Mayoral meeting or reception and minor administrative expenses such as the preparation of reports and documents for signing; and

WHEREAS: The Friendship Agreement will be reviewed every four years; and may be terminated, in whole or in part, when such action is deemed appropriate by either Party;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That based on the aforementioned principles, the Parties will collectively and cooperatively work to create, strengthen and support international linkages, shared opportunities and global connectivity.

Based on the principles of promoting and celebrating international diversity, inclusion of peoples, practices and societies:

A commitment to foster mutual understanding, cooperation, respect, communication, international goodwill and the sharing of information;

A commitment to meaningful collaboration and exploration of mutually beneficial opportunities in the areas of social, education, economic, arts and cultural activities between the cities and respective community stakeholders;

A commitment to create awareness of, and to promote and exchange ideas, initiatives and information respective to individual cultures;

Therefore

We commit to support this Friendship Agreement with the intent and purpose of global connectivity and partnership opportunities

In witness whereof, the Parties have executed this

Friendship Agreement

In effect from the dates of signatures

**His Worship Mayor Fougere
Mayor of Regina, Saskatchewan**

**His Worship Mayor Arai
Mayor of Fujioka, Japan**