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# MEMO

**TO:** Members of the City Council

**FROM:** John A. Haila, Mayor

**DATE:** October 10, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Partner City Agreement

This is the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Partner City relationship between Koshu City, Yamanashi, Japan and the City of Ames. We resolve to continue our Partner City Relationship and clarify our intent through the execution of this Partner City Agreement.

Attached is a copy of the Partner City Agreement with Koshu City, Yamanashi, Japan.

Should you have any questions, please let me know.

# *Partner City Agreement*

*between the*

*City of Ames, Iowa, USA  
and  
Koshu City, Yamanashi, Japan*

*On this, the 30th anniversary of the Partner City Relationship between Enzan City, Yamanashi, Japan (now Koshu City) and the City of Ames, Iowa, USA, and in accordance with the authorization and approval granted by the respective city of councils of the City of Ames, Iowa, USA and Koshu City, Yamanashi, Japan, we resolve to continue our Partner City Relationship and clarify our intent through the execution of this Partner City Agreement. We commit:*

- 1. To promote and expand the effective and mutually beneficial cooperation between our cities; and*
- 2. To encourage the participation of individuals of all ages in this undertaking, through education, communication and deeper understanding of one another's history and culture, and develop long lasting friendships with residents of each partner city; and*
- 3. To promote international goodwill, understanding and expanded business opportunities between our two cities through the exchange of people, ideas and information in a wide variety of economic, social, artistic, musical, cultural, municipal, environmental, professional, technical, adult, youth and other endeavors; and*
- 4. To foster and encourage educational, charitable, scientific trade and commerce, and literary activities between our two cities.*

*This Partner City Agreement shall be officially memorialized and become effective when this document has been duly executed by the Mayor of Ames, Iowa, USA and the Mayor of Koshu City, Yamanashi, Japan. This Agreement will be revisited at the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.*

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*John A. Haila  
Mayor, City of Ames  
Iowa, USA*

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*Mikio Suzuki  
Mayor, Koshu City  
Yamanashi, Japan*

*Dated: October 16, 2023*