

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ON AGREEMENT OF FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE INDIANA STATE GOVERNMENT, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND
THE AICHI PREFECTURAL GOVERNMENT, JAPAN

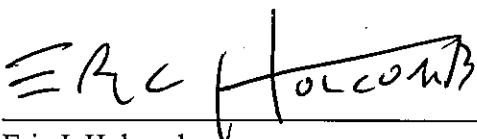
The State of Indiana of the United States of America and Aichi Prefecture of Japan (hereafter “the Parties”) hereby express their sincere desire to establish a relationship with the goals of encouraging friendship and increasing prosperity in both regions, thereby contributing to the further development of favorable relations between the United States of America and Japan. Pursuant to the prevailing laws and regulations in the Parties’ respective state or prefecture, and founded upon the principles of equality and mutual benefit, the Parties declare that:

- I. The Parties shall strive to establish a close friendship based on respect and mutual trust.
- II. The Parties shall cooperate in those fields recognized by the Parties to be mutually beneficial, including, in particular, economic, educational, and cultural exchanges.
- III. In the interest of development of both regions, the Parties shall work cooperatively to promote private-sector exchanges in a wide range of areas, including economic exchange.

This memorandum of understanding is solely an expression of the Parties’ desire to establish a mutually beneficial relationship and creates no legally binding rights or obligations.

Signed in Nagoya, Aichi Prefecture, Japan on September 15, 2017 in recognition of the above articles.

Copies of this memorandum of understanding shall be made in English and Japanese, both texts being of equal authenticity.



Eric J. Holcomb
Governor of the State of Indiana



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