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The Honorable Mike Hurley
Mayor of Burnaby
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Dear Mayor Hurley,

I hope this letter finds you well. On behalf of the City of Kushiro, I would like to extend my sincerest wishes for your continued success and good health.

I am deeply grateful for your thoughtful letter welcoming a delegation from our city.

Since establishing our sister city partnership in 1965, Kushiro and Burnaby have fostered an invaluable bond of friendship. The 50th anniversary celebration in 2015 was particularly meaningful, as we witnessed the wonderful expansion of citizen exchanges, especially among our younger generations. While we deeply regret that a delegation from Burnaby will not be able to join us for the 60th anniversary celebrations, the friendship our cities have nurtured over six decades remains steadfast. The City of Kushiro will reassess our plans, including the possibility of visiting Burnaby, and will inform you once further details are finalized.

I remain committed to furthering the development of exchanges between our cities and humbly request your continued friendship and support. Please accept my heartfelt wishes for Burnaby's continued prosperity and the health and happiness of all its citizens.

Sincerely yours,

Hidenori Tsuruma
Mayor of Kushiro

