May 12, 2020

The Honorable James Brainard
Mayor of Carmel
Carmel City Hall
One Civic Square
Carmel, Indiana, USA

Dear Mayor Brainard,

I truly appreciate your support and concern. The COVID-19 infection is unavoidable matter here in Kawachinagano, too, and we are taking as much measure as we can all the time to deal with situation that changes every moment. Also in Japan, medical workers are exhausted and we are facing the lack of resources and equipment. But even in this situation, it is a great hope that so many researchers in every corner of the world are working hard to develop a vaccine and I look forward to the establishment of treatment against the virus.

In the unprecedented threat like this, I think the whole world should work on and tackle the difficulties together hand in hand. Let's value our sister city alliance and keep on helping each other. I hope we get through this crisis together and I look forward to a chance to see each other. Until then, may you and all the citizens of Carmel stay safe and healthy.

Very truly yours,

Tomoaki Shimada

Mayor of Kawachinagano