

March 14, 2011

His Honor Fumio Ueda Mayor, City of Sapporo Kita 1 Nishi 2, Chuo-ku Sapporo 060-8611 Japan

Dear Mayor Ueda and Citizens of Sapporo

On behalf of the Portland-Sapporo Sister City Association I am sending this expression of our deepest thoughts and prayers to you and all the people of Japan as you deal with the terrible tragedy which has struck your wonderful Country.

Our Association is joining with others in the Portland metropolitan area in efforts to assist, to whatever degree we can, those whose lives have been so terribly effected.

While we were greatly relieved to learn that Sapporo was not directly hit by the earthquake or the tsunami, we know that many of its citizens suffered much through their family members and friends.

Be assured that we will be with you in spirit in the challenging days ahead and please do not hesitate to ask if there is anything which the Association can do to help with the recovery efforts.

Sincerely and respectfully yours,

Thompson M. Faller, Ph.D. President, Portland-Sapporo Sister City Association

cc: President, Sapporo Sister Cities Association Michi Goto, International Plaza