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February 18, 2015

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

TO: Council Administrative Services

FROM: Council Chair Ernest Y. Martin

RE: Nagaoka City
February 12 - 16, 2015

Attached is my report from my visit to the Nagaoka City Council and the Yukishika Festival in Nagaoka City, Japan. The invitation was extended by Chairman of the Nagaoka City Council Katsufusa Maruyama. The discussion of the visit focused on strengthening our relationship with Nagaoka City and the Nagaoka City Council to further the development of cultural and economic opportunities for both Honolulu and Nagaoka.

If you have questions regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to call me directly.

Nagaoka City Council
February 12 – 16, 2015
Nagaoka City, Japan

Friday, February 13, 2015

- ❖ 9:30 p.m. Arrived in Tokyo at Narita Airport

Saturday, February 14, 2015

- ❖ 11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Arrived at Nagaoka Station and met with Mr. Masao Yoshida, Director of the Nagaoka City Council Secretariat and staff.
- ❖ 12:00 p.m. – 12:50 p.m. Attended a luncheon hosted by Nagaoka City Council Chairman Katsufusa Maruyama. The luncheon was attended by Nagaoka City Council Members Mr. Masayoshi Takano, Mr. Masaharu Sakai, Mr. Ryoichi Nagai, Mr. Norio Kasai, Ms. Mieko Ohdaira, Mr. Torao Morohashi, Mr. Koichi Nakamura and Mr. Nobuhiro Sato and JTB President and CEO Mr. Tsukasa Harufuku and JTB Director of Community Relations, Mr. David Asanuma.
- ❖ 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Visited the Niigata Prefectural Museum of History which was built on the home of kaendoki pottery. The museum includes life-size historical displays and exhibits Niigata's history and culture through the themes of rice, snow, and the Jomon period.
- ❖ 2:50 p.m. – 3:50 p.m. Participated in the Yukishika Festival. Yukishika are snow pyramids. Before refrigerators were invented, people in the Nagaoka region use to pack snow into pyramid shapes and preserve them, where they later sold them year round to people to use like a refrigerator.
- ❖ 6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Enjoyed the viewing of fireworks for the Yukishika Festival.
- ❖ 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Spoke at a Cross-Cultural Get-Together, which was organized by the Nagaoka International Exchange Association. The event was well attended by 150 Nagaokans and international residents including students from Honolulu that are currently on a student exchange program.

Sunday, February 15, 2015

- ❖ 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Meeting with Nagaoka City Council Chairman Katsufusa Maruyama at the Nagaoka City Council office to discuss initiatives to further foster our sister city relationship through cultural, educational, and economic opportunities.

- ❖ 11:10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Presented a Honorary Certificate to the Nagaoka City Council and the people of Nagaoka to thank them for their tremendous support of the Honolulu Festival and sharing their fireworks of peace with the world. Twenty-eight Council Members of the Nagaoka City Council attended. The public and media were invited to the event which also featured a question and answer portion.

- ❖ 2:30 p.m. Leave Nagaoka for Tokyo Narita Airport.

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CLAIM FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

Date: 2-18-15

Traveler: Ernest Y. Martin

Event: Nagaoka Yukishika Festival

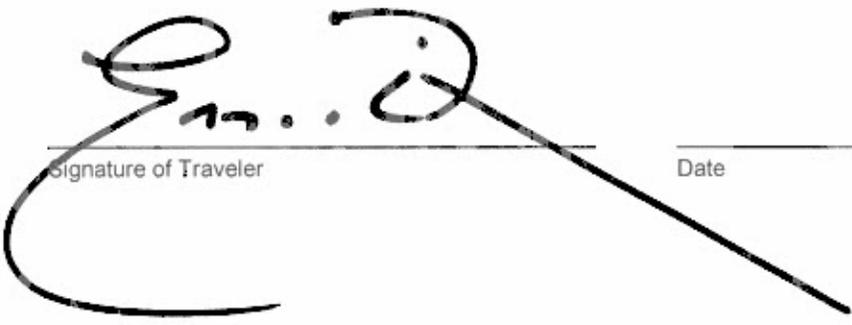
Location: Nagaoka, Niigata Prefecture, Japan

Dates: From February 12, 2015 To February 16, 2015

Description	Amount	Notes:
1. Registration Fee	0	
2. Airfare	0	
3. Hotel	0	
4. Meals	17.70 → 14.93	Ramen and coffee
5. Ground Transportation	60.00	Parking at Honolulu International Airport
6. Tips	0	
7. Other	0	
Other	0	
Other	0	
8. Adjustment	0	
TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT	77.7 74.93	

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This is to certify that the above data, based upon receipts submitted to Council Administrative Support Services via a CCLTRVL02 form, is accurate. Further, I am claiming reimbursement for expenses associated with a trip in which City business was conducted and personal funds were used to advance payment:



 Signature of Traveler

 Date