Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Further Cooperation

between

Fukuoka Prefectural Government, Japan

and

Ha Noi People's Committee, Socialist Republic of Vietnam in period of 2024 - 2028

Fukuoka Prefecture and Ha Noi City entered into Memorandum of Understanding on Friendship and Cooperation on 22 February 2008 and concluded the agreements on further cooperation every five years, and have since striven to promote and archived distinguished results in number of fields of exchange, such as environment, youth development, economy, culture, and agriculture.

In 2010, both regions concluded a Memorandum of Understanding on Environmental partnership and developed environmental personnel, established the Fukuoka Method waste disposal facility.

In 2011, both regions agreed to promote exchange visits between high school students of both regions and students in Fukuoka Prefecture have visited to Ha Noi City on a school trip.

Furthermore, in 2018, both regions also agreed to conduct training courses in the areas of agriculture for officials of the Ha Noi Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

Based on the solid results of friendship and cooperation between both regions, the Fukuoka Prefectural Government, Japan and the Ha Noi People's Committee, Socialist Republic of Vietnam will continue promote further exchanges in the existing fields, and agree on a new commitment to mutually cooperate in the field of education for the development of the two regions.

Both Parties will define general contact points to promote exchanges. The general contact point of Fukuoka Prefectural Government is the International Affairs Bureau, and that of Ha Noi People's Committee is the Department of Foreign Affairs. And specialized departments in charge of each fields will discuss about specific program to develop further the partnership.

This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on the date of signature and remain in effect for a period of five (5) years from 2024 to 2028, and thereafter automatically extended for successive period of one (1) year each, unless either party will have otherwise notified to the other party in writing at least six (6) month prior to the expiry of this MoU or any extension thereof.

This Memorandum of Understanding signed in Ha Noi City, the Social Republic of Vietnam on 23 January 2024, drawn up into two original copies each in Japanese, Vietnamese and English. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English version will prevail.

On behalf of Fukuoka Prefectural Government

On behalf of Ha Noi People's Committee

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