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Dear Gill,

Please refer to the attached letter.

Kind Regards,

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Mr. John Moyle
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Dear Mr. John Moyle

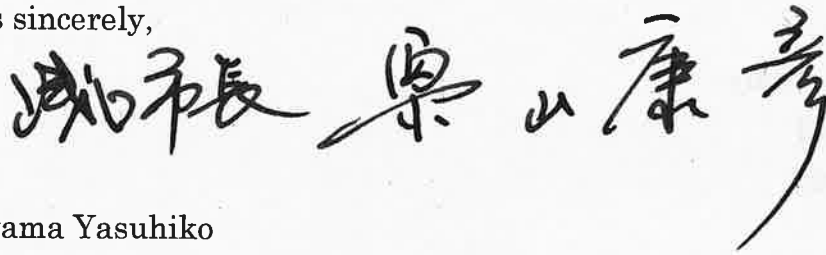
Thank you for your kind and considerate letter. I hope that you are well. We are excited to hear that establishing a sister city relationship with Ukraine is being considered, and we wish you all the best in this endeavor. I am likewise glad to hear that our long-standing relationship as sister cities will continue to flourish.

As you have mentioned, the recent COVID-19 related pandemic has created considerable difficulties in maintaining international relations. We too are looking forward to the reduction in pandemic restrictions, and take this opportunity to talk briefly of the upcoming international exchange taking place on August 10th. Elementary and junior high school students in Asakuchi City will visit Modbury High School via online. Our students are looking forward to the opportunities this meeting will provide them. We hope to see many more cultural exchanges like this in the future.

In regards to city council changes, we understand that the members of both our cities may change. Nonetheless, we eagerly await the results of the elections as we look forward to establishing new and long-lasting relations with their successors. Unfortunately, we are sorry to hear that Ms. Elissa Graves will no longer be involved in our delegations. Nevertheless, we wish her a bright and prosperous journey ahead. Likewise, I am saddened by the news of your retiring, and I hope to thank you for all your efforts, especially in such difficult times. Despite this, I look forward to meeting your appointed successor, Mr. Ryan McMahan. I am certain he will make an excellent CEO.

For the time being, we wish you and Mayor Kevin Knight good health as we look forward to the continued growth of our sister city relationship.

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature in Japanese calligraphy: 阿蘇市長 栗山康彦 (Asakuchi City Mayor Kuriyama Yasuhiko). The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Kuriyama Yasuhiko
Mayor of Asakuchi City