

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
ON AGREEMENT OF FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE KENTUCKY COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND
THE AICHI PREFECTURAL GOVERNMENT, JAPAN**

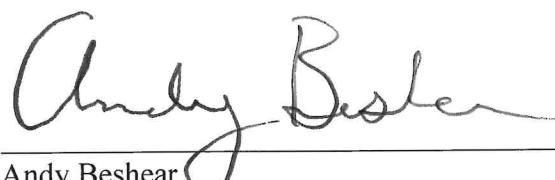
The government of the Commonwealth of Kentucky of the United States of America, and the Aichi Prefectural Government of Japan (hereafter “the parties”), hereby agree to update the Memorandum of Understanding on Agreement of Friendship and Mutual Cooperation signed on October 23, 2017 as follows:

- I. The parties shall strive to establish a close friendship based on respect and trust for each other.;
- II. The parties shall cooperate in all areas recognized by both parties to be mutually beneficial, such as economic exchange, startup support, youth exchange, education and culture.; and
- III. In the interest of development of both regions, the parties shall work to promote private-sector exchange in a wide range of areas, including the areas mentioned above.

This Memorandum of Understanding is solely an expression of the parties’ desire to establish a mutually beneficial relationship and creates no legally binding rights or obligations.

Signed in Tokyo, Japan on July 18, 2024, in recognition of the above articles.

Copies of this agreement shall be made in English and Japanese. All texts are of equal authenticity.



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Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky
The United States of America



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