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Dear Honorable Mayor Preuner,

I would like to extend my best wishes to you and to the citizens of Salzburg.

Recently, 30 years passed since the 17<sup>th</sup> of April 1992, when Kawasaki and Salzburg established relations as friendship cities. The citizens of Kawasaki and I are delighted to have managed to sustain our relations for so long. This is thanks to yourself and other officials of Salzburg, as well as your citizens.

Our cities have cultivated a mutual friendship through exchange in the fields of culture and the arts, beginning with music. In particular, I fondly recall my visit to your city in 2017, during which I was able to plant cherry blossom trees. I hope that they will bloom beautifully, and bring joy to the citizens of Salzburg.

To celebrate our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary, I had hoped that we might be able to meet in person this April beneath the cherry blossoms in full bloom. However, efforts to bring COVID-19 to an end are still ongoing globally. I look forward to our reunion at a less tumultuous time when the virus is fully under control.

In closing, I would like to offer my best wishes for the continued growth of your city, as well as the best of health for yourself, your colleagues and your citizens.

Best regards,

Norihiko Fukuda  
Mayor of Kawasaki