



JOINT STATEMENT
FOR THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF SISTER BEACH EXCHANGES
BETWEEN THE SAGAMI BAY AREA, JAPAN
AND THE CITY OF THE GOLD COAST, AUSTRALIA

Kanagawa Prefecture, Japan, with the approval of its thirteen cities and towns along the Sagami Bay, and the City of the Gold Coast in the State of Queensland, Australia concluded the Friendship Agreement on the basis of the seacoast in 1990. Since then, over the period of 10 years, the two regions have developed the friendly relations through various exchanges in such fields as coastal management and preservation, culture, sports, economics, and youth.

It is their firm belief that the sister beach exchanges built upon in the past have contributed to deepening of mutual understanding among citizens of both regions, and to promotion of goodwill between Japan and Australia as well as between Kanagawa Prefecture and the City of the Gold Coast.

On the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the Friendship Agreement, the Sagami Bay Area and the City of the Gold Coast hereby declare their commitment to promote a wide range of citizens' exchanges between the two regions and to further advance their friendship for the 21st century.

Signed in Kanagawa Prefecture, on the 13th day of August, the year two thousand.

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(Coast authority)

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Queensland, Australia
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LIST OF THIRTEEN CITIES AND TOWNS
ALONG SAGAMI BAY

Cities

Yokosuka City
Hiratsuka City
Kamakura City
Fujisawa City
Odawara City
Chigasaki City
Zushi City
Miura City

Total: 8 cities

Towns

Hayama Town
Oiso Town
Ninomiya Town
Manazuru Town
Yugawara Town

Total: 5 towns