CITY OF PALO ALTO
PROCLAMATION

WELCOMING EXCHANGE STUDENTS AND CHAPERONES FROM
TSUCHIURA CITY, IBARAKI, JAPAN

WHEREAS, the exchange program between middle schools is the foundation of the
Sister City program, which attempts to promote international and intercultural
understanding amongst the youth; and

WHEREAS, the two cities have worked together to involve their respective middle
school students and their families in cultural and educational exchanges and special
programs; and

WHEREAS, the opportunity to host Tsuchiura students here and to send Palo Alto
students to Tsuchiura, Japan has proven to be mutually beneficial.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sidney A. Espinosa, Mayor of the City of Palo Alto, on
behalf of the City Council, hereby express our heartfelt welcome and record
congratulations and the best wishes from the City of Palo Alto, on the occasion of the
visit of Ms. Manami Wada, Ms. Ayano Yamada and 16 students (Naoto Muromachi,
Megumi Maruo, Uto Morita, Mayu Yanagida, Shingo Shoda, Aya Matsumoto, Masanobu
Noguchi, Minako Okazaki, Ryoma Kinoshita, Asaka Imaizumi, Shu Komatsuzaki,
Izumiko Imoto, Kenjiro Kodaira, Mai Okawa, Keita Isaka, Minami Okada).

I wish to thank Tsuchiura City for their generosity and hospitality tended toward young
people from Palo Alto for the last 18 years.

Presented: March 2011

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Sidney A. Espinosa
Mayor