

Congratulations

On behalf of the people of Iwaki City, I would like to commemorate that it has been 125 years since the first Japanese Consulate in Australia was established in Townsville.

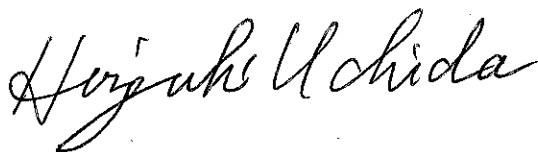
I would like to express my deepest respect to the people who are working for Consulate-General of Japan in Brisbane, and to citizens in Queensland, who have been engaged in working as a bridge of exchange with Japan.

At the base of bonds of exchange, which had been piled up by predecessors, our city was able to reach the agreement of sister city relationship with the City of Townsville in 1991. 30 years have passed, while deepening our relationship in the fields of education, culture, sport, and industry.

Going forward, I am considering promoting further exchanges between our cities through various kinds of programs. I hope that you would help us move forward with this, together.

I would like to finish by saying that I wish for the best of luck and good health for the people concerned with the consulate, and for everyone in attendance.

October 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Hiroyuki Uchida". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Hiroyuki Uchida

Mayor of Iwaki City