## Leading with Purpose.



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Dear Dr. Sugibayashi,

On behalf of the University of Alberta (U of A), it is my great pleasure to congratulate Josai International University (JIU) on its 30th anniversary. This celebration is an important milestone for your institution. It is truly inspiring to see how JIU has developed into one of Japan's leading international comprehensive universities since its establishment in April 1992.

I am pleased that the U of A and JIU have cultivated strong collaborations in the past five years since our partnership was formalized, including with our Faculty of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences and English Language School. In the Fall of 2019, we were pleased to welcome our first group of 25 students from JIU to the English Language School for in-person study. In the following three years, we offered an online English for Nursing course and an online Communication Skills for Global Citizenship course for JIU cohorts. We are excited to resume our in-person courses this year and to have participants fully engaged in cultural activities in Edmonton, making the most of their study abroad experience. The U of A looks forward to our continued cooperation with JIU.

Once again, I would like to extend my congratulations to Josai International University. I wish you all the best for your anniversary celebrations and the years ahead!

Yours truly,

Bill Flanagan

President and Vice-Chancellor

Bill Henry

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