



National University Corporation  
Tsukuba University of Technology

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To: Gallaudet University

Dr. Alan Hurwitz, President of Gallaudet University

Dear Dr. Hurwitz:

I would like to offer my hearty congratulations to you on behalf of all the staff members and students of the National University Corporation Tsukuba University of Technology on the occasion of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Gallaudet University since its foundation.

In view of the large differences between 150 years ago and the present in the social conditions surrounding the education for people with disabilities, we assume that there must have been as many events and affairs as unimaginable. In this regard, we pay high respect to the respective past presidents and all the staff members of your university for their extraordinary efforts made for many years to fulfill the education for people with disabilities and to develop and improve the level of academics as well as that of technology in this area.

We are proud to say that our university has sister relations with your prestigious university which has 150 years' history of education, by the extensive education for people with disabilities, as well as by the outstanding achievement of research in this area.

We firmly believe that henceforth your university will be certain to contribute to the improvement and advancement of education for people with disabilities, not only in the United States but also throughout the world by broadly extending your university's activities and businesses, which are altogether expected to result in the empowerment of the social status of those people.

We are also hopeful that ongoing relations between our university and your esteemed

university will be further deepened in the years to come toward the future in the areas of higher education for people with hearing impairment, and will serve to achieve further fulfillment of educational environment, sophistication of educational contents, and promotion of researches, which are altogether expected to help people with disabilities achieve better independence in the society.

Yours very truly,

Yoshinori Murakami Ph.D.

President

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