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**The City of Tokyo Declares an Official Bid to Host the
2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games**

Today, in the presence of Their Imperial Majesties the Emperor and Empress of Japan, and on the landmark occasion of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Japan Sports Association and the Japanese Olympic Committee, the Tokyo Metropolitan Government submitted the official document declaring its intention to bid for the Games of the XXXII Olympiad in 2020 to the Japanese Olympic Committee.

(Please see attached document which was translated into English)

In accordance with the timeline for the selection of the Host City for the 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games, the Japanese Olympic Committee will submit the name of an Applicant City from Japan to the International Olympic Committee by 1st September 2011.

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**Official Declaration of Bid to Host the Games of
the XXXII Olympiad in 2020**

The Tokyo Metropolitan Government hereby formally expresses its intention to bid to host the Games of the XXXII Olympiad in 2020 in response to strong requests from the Japanese sporting community including the Japanese Olympic Committee, the Japan Paralympic Committee, National Federations and 47 Amateur Sports Associations.

The City of Tokyo hereby expresses its fullest confidence that the Japanese Olympic Committee will assume a leading role in the bid activities and exert its utmost efforts to obtain widespread support for the bid among the citizens of Tokyo, the entire population of Japan, the national government, local governments, and the Japanese business community.

Yours sincerely,

Shintaro Ishihara
Governor of Tokyo