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Dear Members

We' d like to inform you about "59<sup>th</sup> Kanazawa Hyakumangoku Festival" which will be held this coming June this time.

"Kanazawa Hyakumangoku Festival" is a big event which has been held once a year in early summer for more than 40 years.

"Hyakumangoku Parade" unrolls inherited traditional functions and well worth seeing. This parade reenacts the entrance of Lord Maeda Toshiie and his entourage into Kanazawa. Lord Maeda created a basis of Kanazawa city and he was the second greatest feudal lord after Tokugawa shogunate. He made an effort to activate Kanazawa by advancement of craft, culture and entertainment.

Many traditional and cultural events to Kanazawa will be held during the period. For example, "Lantern Festival" will be held after sunset. It is the ceremony of floating Kaga Yuzen lanterns on the Asano River which is located in the central area of the city. About 1,500 Kaga Yuzen lanterns will be washed down the river.

And "Hyakumangoku Takigi Noh" It is a Noh drama presented on a torch-lit out door stage and it creates an atmosphere of quiet and elegant beauty.

"Kanazawa Hyakumangoku Festival will be held from 4<sup>th</sup> of June for 3 days.

We very much hope you will visit.

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I wish you all the best and success more and more.

Yours sincerely,

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