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Mr. Koji Sasaki Adln Research Inc. Shuwa Kioi-cho Park Building, 1F 3-6 Kioi-cho, Chiyoda-ku Tokyo 102-0094, Japan

Dear Mr. Sasaki,

I am writing to thank you and Mr. Iguchi and all your colleagues at the Boston Association of Japan for the gift of a beautiful lacquer tray, with a design of the Mayflower and an inscription celebrating the Centennial of the Japan Society of Boston. We will treasure this thoughtful gift among the historic documents and other special possessions of the Society.

The Japan Society of Boston deeply appreciates the friendly ties linking the members of the Boston Association of Japan and our own membership in the Boston area. The fact that the drawing of the Mayflower on this lovely gold-leaf tray comes from your own hand makes it an especially meaningful gift. I will present your gift at the Society's next Board meeting (on March 22), and I know my colleagues here will share my feelings of gratitude.

Let me also congratulate you on your recent appointment as President of the Boston Association of Japan. I hope we will be able to meet again soon – in Tokyo or in Boston – and I look forward to future collaborations between our two organizations.

Meanwhile, the events of our 100th Anniversary celebration go on, and will be reported to BAJ members in your forthcoming newsletters. As we move into our second century, I sincerely hope that many BAJ members will find occasions to re-visit Boston and I look forward to welcoming them here.

Yours sincerely,

Peter M. Grilli President

Cc: Mr. Seiichi Tanahashi (by e-mail)