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Citi Signs Partnership Agreement with Ryukyu Golden Kings

Tokyo – Citigroup has signed an official partner agreement with the Ryukyu Golden Kings, a B-League professional basketball team. Through the partnership, Citi will support the revitalization of Okinawa's local community.

Citi sympathizes with the Ryukyu Golden Kings' philosophy of contributing to society by engaging with children through sports and will look at ways in which it can work with the Ryukyu Golden Kings to support the team's existing activities and implement social programs that contribute to the Okinawan community.

Based on its belief that financial education for the young contributes to the development of Okinawa, Citi has conducted grassroots activities in Okinawa Prefecture since 2016. These activities include the "Life Skills and Money Management for Young Parents" a financial literacy program for single-parent and young-parent families and child learning support programs. Also, since 2011, in partnership with the University of the Ryukyus, Citi has sponsored a finance course aimed at deepening students' understanding of and interest in finance.

Mr. Toru Shiraki, President and CEO of Ryukyu Golden Kings, commented on the partnership: "We would like to express our gratitude to Citi for its partnership with the Ryukyu Golden Kings. Citi is not just a sponsor but a partner on our journey to Cheer Okinawa Up! through community activities as a professional basketball team. The Ryukyu Golden Kings will continue to maximize the potential of sports to make a better society."

Lee Waite, Citi Country Officer for Japan, made the following comment on the partnership: "We are delighted to become an official partner to the Ryukyu Golden Kings, a professional basketball team loved by the people of Okinawa. This partnership, which originated as a proposal by a Citi Okinawa employee, is a product of the desire of our employees to contribute to the Okinawan community and the open corporate culture at Citi that listens to and acts on the voice of our employees."

Citi is one of the world's leading financial institutions, with more than 200 years of history. Citi opened its first branch in Japan in 1902 and has since engaged in financial services for corporations and institutional clients. Citi expanded into Okinawa in 1999 and runs part of its business, including operations and technology, out of Okinawa, making it an important strategic hub.

Citi strives to be an employer of choice in the financial services industry. Today, 170 Citi colleagues work in Okinawa, closely with their counterparts in Tokyo and around the globe to provide excellent services to our Japan clients.

Citi will celebrate its 120th anniversary in Japan on October 8, 2022. As one of the oldest foreign financial institutions in Japan and the only foreign financial institution that has been operating in Okinawa for more than 20 years, Citi is committed to giving back to the Okinawan community by supporting local initiatives and contributing to its development.

About Citi:

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