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Sadayoshi Kojima
President
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Dear Dr. Kojima:

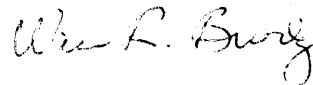
It was with tremendous pride and satisfaction that I learned that the Mathematical Society of Japan will bestow the Seki Takakazu Prize on the Japan - U.S. Mathematics Institute (JAMI), which is based at the Johns Hopkins University. As this award has been given only twice before, it is an extraordinary honor and, therefore, very gratifying to our university.

I am delighted that Johns Hopkins has been a key sponsor of JAMI over the past 18 years of the organization's existence. JAMI has proven invaluable in fostering cooperation in mathematical research between our two nations and has led to significant fruitful collaboration. It is a pleasure and a privilege to be part of this organization.

In closing, please allow me to convey the Johns Hopkins University's appreciation for the Mathematical Society of Japan's recognition of JAMI. We are, indeed, honored and very grateful.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,



William R. Brody

