



## *Proclamation*

### *WELCOMING THE STUDENTS AND FACULTY FROM THE AMAKI SCHOOL OF KURASHIKI, JAPAN*

*WHEREAS, the student exchange program that exists between The Barstow School of Kansas City, Missouri and the Amaki School of Kurashiki, Japan benefits both schools and both cities; and*

*WHEREAS, for one week, from September 27, 2014 to October 5, 2014, ten students from the Amaki School visited The Barstow School; and*

*WHEREAS, the Amaki School of Kurashiki, Japan is designated as a "Super Science School" in Japan and receives significant funding from their government to enhance its excellent math and science programs; and*

*WHEREAS, the students who visited The Barstow School came to experience America and also to collaborate with Barstow students and faculty on a variety of projects; and*

*WHEREAS, this exchange fosters and encourages cultural awareness and explores and promotes new thought and ideas which benefit all involved; and*

*WHEREAS, the faculty and students from the Amaki School visiting The Barstow School are: faculty Ms. Miho Takenaka, administrator Ms. Yoshioka Yamasaki and students Ms. Sayaka Kumazawa, Ms. Sato Shima, Ms. Yuka Yamatomo, Ms. Momo Sato, Mr. Ryuto Aoba, Mr. Kenta Uchida, Mr. Yusuke Kawai, Mr. Yasuaki Sadakane, Ms. Suzuka Okuyama, Ms. Yuika Hirata.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sylvester James, Mayor of the City of Kansas City, Missouri, on behalf of the citizens of this great city and the City Council, do hereby welcome the visiting faculty and students from the Amaki School of Kurashiki, Japan to The Barstow School and to Kansas City, Missouri in the hopes that this experience enriches all participants' lives.*



*Sylvester "Sly" James Jr., Mayor  
City of Kansas City, Missouri*