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**ITEM NO. 1**

**FILE NO: 19/328310  
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**DONATION TO TATEYAMA, JAPAN**

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**THAT COUNCIL:**

- 1) Donate \$4000 comprising \$1000 from Mayoral funds and \$1000 from each of the three Ward funds to support the rebuild of school facilities in Tateyama, Japan following destruction by typhoon Faxai in September 2019.

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**BACKGROUND**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to donate \$4000 comprising \$1000 from Mayoral funds and a further \$1000 from each of the three Ward funds to support the rebuild of school facilities in our sister city Tateyama, Japan.

On 9 September 2019 Chiba prefecture including our sister city Tateyama was hit by typhoon Faxai, causing some deaths and damage to over 20,000 homes and other important infrastructure. It is proposed that Port Stephens Council provide this funding to go some way towards the rebuild of school facilities devastated by the typhoon.

Following the 'super' storm which hit Port Stephens and the Hunter Region in April 2015, the Tateyama International Exchange Association donated \$4133.39 to assist in recovery. At this time the funds were passed onto Dungog Shire Council to spend in their local government area which experienced greater devastation than that which hit Port Stephens.

In November 2019 Port Stephens and Tateyama will celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the sister cities friendship which was formalised with a sister cities agreement in 2009.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.