

To the residents of Kyoto Prefecture

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the medical staff who are working day and night to save the lives of the citizens of the prefecture, and to the citizens and business owners of the Prefecture who are adhering to our infection prevention measures to stop the spread as best as they can.

The number of infected individuals remains high, and our healthcare system continues to be under stress. At this stage, we believe that it is necessary to firmly reduce the number of infected people within the Prefecture in order to best prevent a possible collapse of our healthcare system, and to prevent resurgence in cases. Despite the incredibly tough decision we had to make, in light of the facts we have deemed it necessary to apply an extension to the period of time under which we are requesting cooperation with special infection prevention measures.

We have heard the voices of individuals and business owners from all over the Prefecture regarding the difficulties of this period, but we sincerely ask for your continued understanding and cooperation in order to prevent as much loss of life as we can.

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