2024 Touro Floating Lanterns Project

1 Organiser: Hiroshima Coventry Club https://www7b.biglobe.ne.jp/~coventryclub/

2 Period: May to August, 2024

3 Effect

This lantern project will be implemented as a means of spreading the City of Coventry's spirit of Peace and Reconciliation. In generating an awareness of this spirit of Coventry in young people and creating opportunities for them to participate in a meaningful peace activity, we aim to foster a *culture of peace* and encourage the next generation to contribute positively to achieving peace in their lifetimes.

4 Purpose

- (2) Solidarity for peace: Participants will share time to mourn the many victims of nuclear weapons and nuclear weapons testing throughout the world.
- (2) Student Experience: The opportunity for high school students to send messages of peace from Hiroshima in the making and sharing of Touro floating lanterns, and in doing so learn that we can all do something for world peace.

5 Method

- ① Hiroshima Coventry Club will speak to students and teachers in Hiroshima about Coventry and the city's embrace of *Peace and Reconciliation*, and encourage participation in the Touro Lanterns to Coventry Project.
- ② Hiroshima high school students will decorate lanterns and add messages to them by the end of June.
- ③ Hiroshima Coventry Club will send all completed Touro lanterns to participating cities in the United Kingdom by the middle of July.
- People of the participating cities will share messages of peace from Hiroshima and float
 the lanterns at their respective Candle Float events in August.
- ⑤ Hiroshima Coventry Club will seek feedback from the UK and convey all responses to the students of Hiroshima.
- 6 Selected students will give a presentation on their activities at the Coventry Day event in Hiroshima in November.