



Yonezawa City Zero Plastic Trash Declaration

Plastic has become an indispensable part of our daily lives. However, plastic litter like bottles and grocery bags flow from rivers into the oceans, affecting the ecosystems and creating serious environmental problems on a global scale.

As Yonezawa is situated at the source of the Mogami River, these are important problems that we cannot ignore. In order to solve these issues, each and every person must treat them not as “someone else’s problem” but as their own, and we must work to create an environment where we do not litter and do not encourage others to litter, as well as to decrease the consumption of single-use plastics.

Therefore, here in Yonezawa, where we endeavor to reach the Sustainable Development Goals and make zero carbon a reality, we declare that citizens, businesses, and government will work together to strive for zero plastic trash, transition to a lifestyle of ethical consumption with consideration for the environment, and create a sustainable, recycling-oriented society in order to pass down a beautiful and resource-rich Earth to our children of the future.

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Yonezawa City Mayor

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of stylized Japanese characters, representing the Mayor of Yonezawa.

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