

February 18th, 2022

### A Message from the Governor

- This is a message from IBARAGI Ryuta, governor of Okayama Prefecture.
- I would like to re-express my gratitude to the residents of Okayama Prefecture for cooperating with the various requests that I have made up until now.
- It has been decided that the implementation period for the nationwide quasi-state of emergency will be extended until March 6<sup>th</sup>.
- In order to suppress the spread of the Omicron Variant, please continue to thoroughly follow basic prevention measures, such as limiting dinner parties to four or less people in attendance and finishing such gatherings within two hours, avoiding high-risk behavior and correctly wearing non-woven masks, at all costs during the extended implementation period.
- By all means, I would like for you to consider receiving the third dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.
- I ask for your understanding and cooperation in order to put an end to the spread of infection as soon as possible and protect the precious lives of Okayama Prefecture's residents.