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### A message from Chieko Matsushita



#### Dear Friends and Supporters of Matsu,

First of all, I sincerely apologize for this unfortunate consequence to all those who have sympathized with Yoshinari Matsushita's dream and gave him supports and encouragements in various ways. To challenge the Isle of Man TT race, however, is what he himself have been wished. I believe that he is deeply grateful for he was able to compete in the IOM-TT four times as he wished. Please accept my sincere thanks to you all.

He must be feeling bitterly disappointed for he could not complete the IOM-TT this year in spite of all these generous supports and I suppose he now wants to say sorry directly to each of you.

People in pit and paddock and team members are all kind and warm, and I can imagine that Matsu felt comfortable at the Isle of Man. As he told me before, the IOM was beautiful place with rich in nature. The weather had been mild after our arrival, and I though it is suitable place for a motorcycle touring ride.

It was my first time to watch the IOM-TT race and I was so surprised at the high speed of motorcycles. To be honest, watching the race in front of my eyes made me think "Did he want to challenge such a risky race!?", but atmosphere of towns, and happy look and kindness of people, all of them constitute this wonderful place. I thank Matsu for brought our daughter and me here.

Matsu used to say "It's better to take on a challenge whatever you like so as not to regret your life because no one knows when we are going to die." He also said one of the reasons he continues to challenge at his not-so-young age is that he wants to pass a baton of chasing a dream on to younger generation. I personally opposed to his participation to the IOM-TT but at the same time I love his way of thinking and sympathized with him. It would give me much pleasure if people those who have inspired by him and have a shared dream could take over the dream.

Finally, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all those who has been with him and helped him during his lifetime on behalf of my husband, Matsu. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Chieko Matsushita

