WHEREAS, by minute resolution dated June 11, 1979, the cities of Salinas and Kushikino, Japan became Sister Cities; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Kushikino and Ichiki merged on October 11, 2005 to form the City of Ichikikushikino; and

WHEREAS, the common concerns of the citizens of Salinas and Ichikikushikino transcend geographical boundaries; and

WHEREAS, citizens and dignitaries from our countries have traveled to meet each other and have pledged friendship to one another for the past twenty-seven years; and

WHEREAS, we pledge our communities will continue their successful partnership for many years to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anna M. Caballero, Mayor of Salinas, on behalf of the Salinas City Council, do hereby proclaim August 4, 2006 as SALINAS AND ICHIKIKUSHIKINO DAY in Salinas.

Dated this 4th day of August 2006.