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Tennis \_\_\_\_\_ Naomi Osaka has lit the \_\_\_\_\_ to finally open the 2020 Olympic Games. After a tumultuous year, the Tokyo Olympics Opening Ceremony \_\_\_\_\_ got under way, albeit a \_\_\_\_\_. Because of \_\_\_\_\_ of a fifth wave of Covid-19 \_\_\_\_\_ in Japan's \_\_\_\_\_, it has been touch and go as to whether or not the Summer Games would go \_\_\_\_\_. The pandemic has already greatly \_\_\_\_\_ the event. It now takes \_\_\_\_\_ with no \_\_\_\_\_ in attendance and several athletes having to \_\_\_\_\_ after testing \_\_\_\_\_. Japan still hopes the Games will showcase its \_\_\_\_\_ to the world. The Opening Ceremony drew to a \_\_\_\_\_ around midnight in Japan with a spectacular \_\_\_\_\_ display illuminating Tokyo's night sky.

According to Tokyo 2020 \_\_\_\_\_, 950 people attended the \_\_\_\_\_ ceremony. This is in a venue with a \_\_\_\_\_ of 68,000. Attendees \_\_\_\_\_ Japan's Emperor Naruhito, the US First Lady Jill Biden and French President Emmanuel Macron. Emperor Naruhito declared the Games officially \_\_\_\_\_. International Olympic Committee President Thomas Bach said: "It is very \_\_\_\_\_ from what all of us had \_\_\_\_\_, but let us cherish this \_\_\_\_\_ because finally we are all here \_\_\_\_\_. Today is a moment of \_\_\_\_\_. " Naomi Osaka later \_\_\_\_\_ about her excitement at lighting the flame. She said it was: "Undoubtedly the \_\_\_\_\_ athletic achievement and honor I will ever have in my \_\_\_\_\_. "