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Mr. Robert H. Reynolds to Receive Prestigious Decoration from Japan

The Government of Japan announced today that Mr. Robert H. Reynolds, Honorary Consul General of Japan in Indianapolis, has been awarded The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon. The decoration is one of the most prestigious bestowed by His Majesty the Emperor of Japan. It commends Mr. Reynolds' contribution to the promotion of exchange and friendship between United States and Japan.

Mr. Reynolds' achievements are impressive. After graduating from Harvard Law School, he was an Associate and Partner at Barnes & Thornburg LLP for more than 40 years, and is now Of Counsel. In 1988, he was a key leader in the establishment of the Japan-America Society of Indiana (JASI), which now has more than 1,500 corporate and individual members. Mr. Reynolds was a founding director and officer of JASI and later served as President of the Society for 10 years. Through his strong leadership and dedication, JASI became one of the most prominent Japan-America Societies. In 1999, Mr. Reynolds was appointed the first Honorary Consul General of Japan in Indianapolis, and is now serving his third term. He continues to be deeply committed to strengthening the U.S.-Japan relationship and fostering mutual understanding.

Japan's Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Fumio Kishida, has sent a congratulatory message to Mr. Reynolds that recognizes his outstanding contribution.

Consul General Masaharu Yoshida, on behalf of His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, will present the decoration and certificate to Mr. Reynolds in the near future.

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