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The Order of the Sacred Treasure Conferred upon Dr. Naomi Hanaoka McGloin and Dr. Emiko Ohnuki for Outstanding Contribution to Japan-US Relations

[November 3, 2020] On November 3, the Government of Japan announced the recipients of the 2020 Autumn Decoration, which is conferred by the Emperor of Japan.

From Wisconsin, Dr. Naomi Hanaoka McGloin and Dr. Emiko Ohnuki have been recognized for their outstanding contribution to the Japan-US relationship:

- **The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon for Dr. Naomi Hanaoka McGloin**, Professor-Emeritus, University of Wisconsin-Madison

For many years, Dr. Naomi Hanaoka McGloin has served as a professor of Japanese language and linguistics at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She has written many academic papers and books on Japanese language as well as contributed to the development of teaching materials for learning Japanese as a second language.

Through activities at the American Association of Teachers of Japanese (AATJ), including serving as President from 2004-2007, she has directly contributed to the development of Japanese language education in the U.S.

- **The Order of the Sacred Treasure, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon for Dr. Emiko Ohnuki**, William F. Vilas Professor, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Dr. Emiko Ohnuki has been engaged in her research in the field of anthropology as a William F. Vilas Professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She has contributed to the spread of Japanese culture and the views of Japanese people through lectures at universities and research institutes around the world. Her dissertations and writings on Japanese studies have been introduced around the world and has been translated into 10 different languages, greatly contributing to the promotion of the understanding of Japan.

The remarkable achievements of the recipients represent the diversity and depth of the relations between Japan and the United States.

For more information, please contact the Consulate-General of Japan in Chicago at 312-280-0400.

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