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of Japan in Chicago**

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The Award and Conferment Ceremony for the 2020 Foreign Minister's Commendations and the 2021 Spring Conferment of Decorations on Foreign Nationals

On Wednesday, October 20, the Award and Conferment Ceremony for the 2020 Foreign Minister's Commendation and the 2021 Spring Conferment of Decoration was held at the Official Residence of the Consul-General of Japan in Chicago. Consul-General TAJIMA Hiroshi presented to Ms. Karen Izui Kanemoto the Foreign Minister's Commendation and the Order of Rising Sun, Silver Rays.

Ms. Kanemoto, the executive director of the Japanese Mutual Aid Society of Chicago, has been recognized for her outstanding contribution to the Japanese American Community in the U.S.

Ms. Kanemoto's family and members of the Japanese American community attended the ceremony. Consul-General Tajima delivered congratulatory remarks and presented to Ms. Kanemoto the certificate and commemorative gift, awarded by the Foreign Minister, and the patent of decoration and the decoration, conferred by His Majesty the Emperor. Then, Ms. Kanemoto delivered her reply address.



Presentation of the Certificate
(the Foreign Minister's Commendation)



Conferment of the Patent of Decoration
(the Order of Rising Sun, Silver Rays)

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