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The Conferment Ceremony for the 2022 Fall Conferment of Decorations The Honorable Tommy G. Thompson

On Friday, May 12, 2023, the Conferment Ceremony for the 2022 Fall Conferment of Decoration on Foreign Nationals was held at the Consul-General's Official Residence. Consul-General Hiroshi Tajima presented to the Honorable Tommy G. Thompson the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star.

The Honorable Tommy G. Thompson has been recognized for his unwavering dedication to strengthening Japan-U.S. and Japan-Wisconsin economic relations over nearly four decades. He has promoted trade, investment and mutual exchanges during his fourteen years as the Governor of Wisconsin and three years as Chairman and President of the U.S. Midwest-Japan Association. Former Governor Thompson also made significant contributions to U.S.-Japan cultural relations at the grassroots level. He created a solid foundation for the Sister-State/Prefecture relationship between Wisconsin and Chiba and continues to work to promote deeper cultural exchanges.

The Honorable Thompson's family and friends attended the ceremony. Consul-General Tajima delivered congratulatory remarks and presented to the Honorable Thompson the patent of decoration and the decoration, conferred by His Majesty the Emperor. The Honorable Thompson then delivered his reply address.



Presentation of the Patent of Decoration
(The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and
Silver Star)



Group Photo
(Mrs. Thompson, Hon. Thompson and
Consul-General Tajima)

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