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## Dr. Hiroyuki Fujita Appointed Honorary Consul of Japan in Cleveland

**DETROIT, Mich.** – On November 28, 2018, the Government of Japan appointed Dr. Hiroyuki Fujita, as the new Honorary Consul of Japan in Cleveland. The Consul General of Japan in Detroit, Mr. Tsutomu Nakagawa, stated, "Honorary Consul Fujita's wide range of knowledge and experiences, in addition to his deep understanding of Japanese society, will be great assets in enhancing the relationship between Japan and the US, as well as supporting the local Japanese community. The Consulate General of Japan in Detroit will work closely with Honorary Consul Fujita to achieve our mission."



Honorary Consuls are appointed to protect the welfare of local Japanese

residents and promote cultural exchanges in a region where the Government of Japan has no office established. Expected responsibilities include supporting Japanese-American companies and various cultural activities hosted by the Embassy or Consulate General of Japan. (Honorary Consuls do not issue passports or visas and are not authorized to notarize documents including citizenship certificates, foreign resident certificates, etc.)

Honorary Consul Fujita is founder, president, and CEO of Quality Electrodynamics, a Clevelandbased medical device development, and manufacturing company established in 2006. With his exceptional business expertise he served two terms as the advisor to a former U.S. Secretary of Commerce and currently serves on numerous community service boards and committees, some of which include the Ohio State University, the Cleveland Orchestra, the Cleveland Foundation, the Cleveland Clinic Hillcrest Hospital, Global Cleveland, and the US-Japan Council. Dr. Fujita is an adjunct full professor of physics and radiology at Case Western Reserve University.

Honorary Consul Fujita's jurisdiction is the region of Northeast Ohio covering Ashland, Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Columbiana, Erie, Geauga, Huron, Lake, Lorain, Mahoning, Medina, Portage, Richland, Stark, Summit, Trumbull, Tuscarawas, and Wayne counties (the remaining regions of Ohio are covered by Honorary Consul David W. Cook).

## About the Consulate-General of Japan in Detroit

The Consulate-General of Japan in Detroit was established in 1993 by the Government of Japan to serve in the states of Michigan and Ohio. The Detroit office is one of 14 Japanese Consulates General in the United States. The Consulate strives to promote better understanding of Japan and Japanese culture through educational and cultural programs. The office protects the interests of Japanese citizens and strengthens the Japan-U.S. alliance through furthering relations with local governments, companies, educational institutions, cultural organizations and the general public. For more information, visit <u>www.detroit.us.emb-japan.go.jp/</u> or call (313) 567-0120.

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