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## Searching for Centenarian Japanese Nationals or Naturalized U.S. Citizens in Hawaii

September 15th is the Respect-for-the-Aged Day, which honors the elderly. On this occasion, the Japanese Government will present the elderly, who have reached the age of 100, with a congratulatory message and a commemorative gift. Japanese nationals are to receive this recognition from the Prime Minister of Japan. Japanese who have become naturalized U.S. citizens are to receive a congratulatory message from the Consul General of Japan in Honolulu. This recognition is presented once to every person who reaches the age of 100.

In order to facilitate the presentation of these honors, we are presently gathering information of those who were born by March 31, 1923(the person's name, birth date, telephone number and maiden name, if applicable). If you know of someone who meets the above criteria, please contact us <u>by Wednesday, May 10, 2023</u>, at Consulate General of Japan, 1742 Nuuanu Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96817, calling at 808-543-3111, or emailing at <u>ryoji@hl.mofa.go.jp</u>.