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Japanese Government Appoints David M. Walsh as Honorary Consul in Orlando

Miami – (April 17, 2017) The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan has appointed David M. Walsh as the Honorary Consul of Japan in Orlando.

As the Honorary Consul of Japan in Orlando, Walsh will support the Consulate General of Japan in Miami to further promote the excellent relationship existing between Japan and Florida.

Walsh was the first American President and CEO of the Lake Mary, FL-based Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems Americas, and served as a corporate officer of its parent company, Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems, Ltd. in Japan. From the time of his founding it in 1999, Mr. Walsh had been Senior Vice President of Service and Manufacturing segment of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries North American Power Generation business. Prior to that, he had been the executive responsible for the Westinghouse Electric Power Generation Service business, and International Industrial Service business.

"Orlando has one of the largest and most vibrant Japanese populations throughout the State of Florida and David Walsh will be an invaluable resource to the community," said Ken Okaniwa, Consul General of Japan for Florida. "Orlando is home to multiple Japanese companies and cultural organizations, including taiko drumming and bonsai groups, as well as many Japanese restaurants, supermarkets, and even a school for children of Japanese citizens."

Very active in the community, Walsh is a Trustee of the University of Central Florida and has served on the boards of Enterprise Florida, Seminole County Foundation for Public Education, Seminole State College of Florida Foundation and Support Our Scholars.

Walsh holds an undergraduate degree in commerce from the University of Virginia and pursued graduate studies in finance at the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University.

Mr. Walsh resides in Central Florida with his wife Terri.

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