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Building Community

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Bill Watanabe to participate in Mayor Villaraigosa's Japan Delegation October 18–Tokyo, Japan

(Los Angeles, CA) Bill Watanabe, executive director of the Little Tokyo Service Center (LTSC), will join Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa on a delegation to Japan later this month. The visit, including stops in Tokyo and Nagoya, is part of a larger Trade Mission to China, Japan, and South Korea, and is composed of private and non-profit leaders from Los Angeles. Watanabe will use this opportunity to explore social and community concerns shared by the Japanese and Japanese American community, including health, aging, volunteerism, sports, and Japantown preservation. “Our communities have a lot to learn and share with each other. There is a common interest in serving and preserving Little Tokyo as a historic cultural neighborhood,” says Watanabe.

LTSC, a social service and community economic development agency, has been “helping people and building community” for over 25 years. LTSC provides a wide range of services to the greater Los Angeles community, which include but are not limited to: emergency assistance, counseling & support groups, translation & transportation, low-income housing, childcare, information referral, crisis hotlines and much more. For more information, please contact Noelle Ito at (213) 473 – 1608 or NITO@LTSC.ORG.

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