## Japan Awards Foreign Minister's Commendation to President of the Japanese Restaurant Association of Canada



Consul-General SASAYAMA Takuya presented Chef KIMURA Shigeo with the Foreign Minister's Commendation

On Aug. 30, a ceremony was held at the official residence of the Consul-General of Japan to present Japanese Restaurant Association of Canada (JRAC) President KIMURA Shigeo with the Foreign Minister's Commendation. The Foreign Minister's Commendations are awarded to individuals and groups with outstanding achievements in international fields, in order to acknowledge their contributions to the promotion of friendship between Japan and other countries and areas. The Commendations also aim to promote the understanding and support of the Japanese public for the activities of the recipients.

Chef Kimura immigrated to Toronto in 1973 and has worked in the Japanese restaurant industry for over 40 years since opening his own in 1978. He established JRAC in 2004 and has promoted Japanese cuisine and food culture for many years as its President.

