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## Mayumi Kimura, LICSW Secretary



**Mayumi Kimura, U.S. Navy Veteran**, currently serves as Secretary of the Japanese American Veterans Association (JAVA). She enlisted in the U.S. Navy on September 27, 2001, and served as an Operations Specialist aboard the USS *Fife* (DD-991), USS *Blue Ridge* (LCC-19), and USS *Bonhomme Richard* (LHD-6), deploying to the 7th, 5th, and 3rd Fleets Theaters of Operation, to include missions that were in support of Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom (OEF/OIF). Following her military service, Mayumi transitioned into a career dedicated to serving veterans and military-connected communities, focusing on those facing significant barriers and conditions. Her professional experience includes hospice, inpatient psychiatric care, mobile crisis response, trauma-focused outpatient therapy, and serving as the

Director of a housing and treatment unit for incarcerated veterans. She has also held senior statewide leadership roles guiding strategy, policy development, and cross-sector coordination to improve outcomes for women veterans across California.

Mayumi is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and founder of multi-state trauma- and PTSD-focused mental health practices serving veterans, active-duty service members, first responders, and their families. Her areas of specialization include post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), military sexual trauma (MST), combat-related trauma, and suicide prevention for Gold Star families. She is frequently invited to present as a subject matter expert on trauma and PTSD for providers, policymakers, academic institutions, and veteran-serving organizations nationwide. Kimura holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from Pennsylvania State University and a Master of Social Work from the University of New Hampshire.