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Cooper Honors Elk Grove Unified School Board Member Bobbie Singh-Allen as Woman of the Year

SACRAMENTO –In a ceremony today, Assemblymember Jim Cooper (D-Elk Grove) honored Elk Grove Unified School Board Member Bobbie Singh-Allen as the 9th Assembly District’s Woman of the Year.

“I am proud to honor Bobbie as Woman of the Year,” said Assemblymember Cooper. “She is an active and diligent leader in our community, dedicated to improving the lives of families,” Cooper added.

“I am honored to have been selected Woman of the Year,” said Singh-Allen. “Assemblymember Cooper and I have worked together for over 15 years in Elk Grove for the betterment of our community. Getting recognized for that work is humbling. I look forward to collaborating in the future, particularly on education issues,” she added.

Bobbie Singh-Allen was appointed to the Elk Grove Unified School District (EGUSD) in August 2012 and re-elected in November 2014. She was elected Board President in December 2014. Since joining the school board, she has been a leader in anti-bullying initiatives, dedicated to promoting multi-cultural awareness and diversity appreciation.

Singh-Allen represents EGUSD through numerous committees and appointments including: Delegate Assembly for California School Boards Association, Florin High School Business & Technology Advisory Committee, Linked Learning Leadership Team, the EGUSD/Cosumnes Community Services District Joint Meetings and more. Her work in the community also includes her position on the Board of Directors for the Sacramento Area Women’s Chamber of Commerce, Elk Grove Teen Center and member of the Sacramento Regional Coalition for Tolerance.

Singh-Allen is a leader in the Indian-American community. As a member of Indian Association of Sacramento and Indus Valley American Chamber of Commerce, Singh-Allen inspires her community to increase civic and political engagement. Currently, she is the only Indian American women in elected office from the Sacramento region.

Her passion to make a difference started as a young college student. In 1993, she helped to create and launch “The Mayor’s Summer Reading Camp” in Sacramento under the direction of the Late Mayor Joe Serna, Jr. The program helped “at risk” students in the first and second grade in some of Sacramento’s most challenging neighborhoods.

She currently serves as the Executive Vice President/Chief Operating Officer for the California Lodging Industry Association. She is a respected leader in the tourism and hospitality industry. Her prior work includes serving as the Vice President of Governmental Relations for the California Hotel & Lodging Association, as a Public Affairs Consultant for L&B Associates, and as the Director of Governmental Relations for the Nehemiah Corporation of America.

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Assemblymember Cooper represents the Cities of Sacramento, Elk Grove, Galt and Lodi.