

Honoring
LARRY BERGKAMP
On His Retirement

***WHEREAS,** Larry Bergkamp, Business Taxes Specialist III in the Legislative and Research Division, will retire on December 31, 2014, after twenty-eight years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the California State Board of Equalization; and*

***WHEREAS,** Larry began his career with the Board of Equalization on July 1, 1986, as a Tax Auditor in the Bakersfield Office; and*

***WHEREAS,** as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Associate Tax Auditor in the Special Taxes and Fees Department's Hazardous Waste Section in April 1990, and after ably serving as Business Taxes Specialist I in the Sales and Use Tax Department's Settlement Section from March 1993 to November 1997, he moved to the Sales and Use Tax Department's Investigation Division in December 1997, advancing to the position of Supervising Tax Auditor I; until being promoted to Supervising Tax Auditor II in the Sales and Use Tax Department's Public Information and Administration Section in March 1999; after which he was appointed California's Representative on the Multistate Streamlined Sales Tax Project in May 2003; and in July 2006 returned to Sales and Use Tax Department as Training Supervisor; whereafter he became a Business Taxes Specialist III in the Fuels Division in April 2007; and in June 2007 became a Technical Advisor to Board Member Betty Yee; after which he returned to the Sales and Use Tax Department's Policy Division; and in October 2010 he was promoted to Business Taxes Administrator II for the Central Revenue Opportunity System Project; after which he transferred in January 2012 to the Legislative and Research Division until his retirement; and*

***WHEREAS,** throughout his many years of service, Larry has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it*

***RESOLVED,** that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Larry Bergkamp our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the California State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this eighteenth day of December 2014, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
GEORGE JOHNSON, JR.
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, George Johnson, Jr., Office Technician (Typing) retired on October 31, 2014, after more than twenty-nine years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the California State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, George began his career with the Department of Motor Vehicles on July 1, 1985, as a Program Technician Trainee; then on July 1, 1986, he was appointed to the position of Program Technician I; and on July 21, 1987, was appointed to the position of Motor Vehicle Representative; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he then advanced in his career on July 1, 1989, to the position of Supervisor; and then on November 1, 1995, he was appointed to the position of Manager I; and

WHEREAS, after ably serving the Department of Motor Vehicles, he transferred to the Board of Equalization, San Diego Office, on September 17, 2001, as a Tax Technician I; and then on December 27, 2004, was appointed to the position of Office Technician (Typing) Audit Control.

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, George has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to George Johnson, Jr. our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the California State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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Honoring
DENISE S. LAING
On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Denise S. Laing, Business Taxes Specialist II, in the Riverside Office, retired on December 18, 2014, after thirty-three years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the California State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Denise began her career as a Tax Auditor with the California State Board of Equalization on March 2, 1981, in the West Los Angeles Office; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, Denise advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Tax Auditor II on March 2, 1982; and then earning an appointment to Associate Tax Auditor on January 15, 1991; and

WHEREAS, on January 1, 1994, she earned an appointment to Business Taxes Specialist I; and then earned an appointment to Supervising Tax Auditor I on February 6, 2008; Denise then advanced to an appointment of the Business Taxes Specialist II on June 14, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Denise ended her career as a Business Taxes Specialist II on December 18, 2014, in the Riverside Office; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Denise has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Denise S. Laing our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the California State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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Honoring
EILEEN LI
On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Eileen Li, Associate Tax Auditor, in the Sales and Use Tax Department/New York Out-of-State District Office, retired on December 5, 2014, after twenty-seven years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the California State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Eileen began her career with the Alcohol and Drug Program on July 1, 1987, as an Associate Management Auditor in the Department of Health Care Services; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility earning her first appointment with the Board of Equalization as an Associate Tax Auditor on April 1, 1997, in the Appeals and Data Analysis Branch/Sacramento Headquarters Office; and

WHEREAS, after ably serving the Appeals and Data Analysis Branch for six months, she moved to the Sales and Use Tax Department/New York Out-of-State Office on October 1, 1997; and

WHEREAS, Eileen ended her career as an Associate Tax Auditor, December 5, 2014, in the Sales and Use Tax Department/New York Out-of-State Office; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Eileen has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Eileen Li our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the California State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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Honoring
GERALD W. RAUSCHER
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Gerald W. Rauscher, Office Assistant (General), in the Administration Department's Imaging and Mail Processing Center Unit, will retire on December 31, 2014, after over twenty-one years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the California State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Gerald began his career with the Board of Equalization (BOE) on July 28, 1993, as an Assistant Clerk for the Cashiers Unit; and promoted to an Office Assistant (General) on October 1, 1995. On April 11, 2012, he was transferred to the Imaging and Mail Processing Center under the same classification; and

WHEREAS, the BOE and his coworkers have greatly benefitted from Gerald's knowledge, experience, dedication, and integrity, all the while setting an example of helpfulness, and earning the respect of management and staff; and

WHEREAS, after retirement Gerald will enjoy life to its fullest, spending time traveling to take pictures of different places; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Gerald has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Gerald W. Rauscher our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the California State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes for his continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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