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Jerome Horton to Keynote Annual California Hispanic Chamber's Awards & Gala Convention

California Board of Equalization Chairman, Jerome E. Horton, will provide keynote remarks at the California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce (CAHCC) Awards & Gala Convention on Friday, August 17th at the San Diego Marriott Mission Valley in San Diego, California.

The CAHCC is the leading Hispanic statewide business and professional organization promoting the interests of more than 700,000 Hispanic businesses and over 65 local Hispanic chambers in California. The goal of the CAHCC's Annual Convention is to elevate discussion and participation among Hispanic business owners, corporate business leaders, community leaders, and government officials to address issues of relevance to the Hispanic business community.

The CAHCC State Convention is the premier minority/ethnic business convention in California, offering participants the opportunity to learn the latest trends in business development, network with outstanding business professionals, and gain insights into growing and maintaining a successful business. Throughout the convention, participants have the opportunity to celebrate the educational, political, and economic success of the Hispanic community.

"It was with pleasure that I accepted the invitation to speak at the California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce Convention," said Horton. "The Hispanic community provides a vital part of California's economic growth and development and their chamber members provide a broad range of business goods and services that support all Californians."

Convention participants will be exposed to some of the most dynamic, enterprising and informative speakers discussing current issues pertinent to the economic growth and development of California business. Past convention speakers include: California Governors Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jerry Brown, Gray Davis and Pete Wilson; Former SBA Administrator Hector Barreto; Oscar, Grammy and Tony Award winning Actress Rita Moreno; Linda Alvarado, owner of the Colorado Rockies; and many more.

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Elected in 2010, Chairman Jerome E. Horton is the Fourth District Member of the California State Board of Equalization, representing more than 8.5 million residents in Los Angeles County. He is also the Board of Equalization's Legislative Committee Chairman. He is the first to serve on the Board of Equalization with over 21 years of experience at the BOE. Horton previously served as an Assembly Member of the California State Assembly from 2000-2006.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The Board of Equalization collects more than \$50 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit www.taxes.ca.gov.

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