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Legislative Black Caucus Presents Distinguished Service Award to Horton Chief of Staff Regina Evans-Jarrett

Regina Evans-Jarrett, Chief of Staff to Board of Equalization Vice Chairperson Jerome E. Horton, was presented a Distinguished Government Service Award by the California Legislative Black Caucus at the annual Civil Rights Leadership Awards held in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in Sacramento on Thursday.

The Distinguished Government Service Award is presented to individuals who demonstrate a commitment to work for the betterment of African Americans and others throughout the state of California.

“Regina has built a reputation for being pro-business and a tireless advocate for workers’ rights, women, and communities of color,” said Vice Chairperson Horton. “I congratulate her on her achievement and applaud her inspiring leadership and public service.”

Ms. Evans-Jarrett has over two decades of experience as a political, government, and non-profit leader. Prior to her service with Vice Chairperson Horton, Regina served as Deputy Cabinet Secretary for the Schwarzenegger administration, Principal Policy Consultant for various policy committees in the California State Legislature from 1986 to 1996, and on national, state and local boards of directors and community advisory boards. Ms. Evans-Jarrett is a graduate of the University of California San Diego, San Diego State University, and University of California Hastings College of the Law.

Elected in 2010, Vice Chairperson Jerome E. Horton is the 4th District Member of the BOE, representing more than 8.5 million residents in Los Angeles County. He is also the BOE Legislative Committee chairperson. Horton is the first African American to serve on the BOE since its inception in 1879, and the third African American constitutional officer in California’s history. Horton previously served as an Assembly member from 2000-2006.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects more than \$48 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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