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MICHELLE STEEL ANNOUNCES IMPROVED TAX E-FILING

Continues Effort to Bring Tax Agency into the Digital Age

(Rolling Hills Estates) – Michelle Steel, Third District Member of the Board of Equalization, announced today a major expansion of the Board of Equalization’s Free Electronic Filing Services and improved credit card payment options for all Board programs. Expanded e-filing is only the latest step in Steel’s ongoing effort to bring the Board of Equalization into the Digital Age.

“I am proud that today even more taxpayers can save time and money by electronically filing their returns,” said Board Member Michelle Steel. “Taxpayers can count on my ongoing efforts to bring the Board of Equalization into the Digital Age.”

Starting Monday, May 7, free Sales Tax E-file service will be offered to an additional 62,000 businesses. Businesses with only one location that pre-pay on a quarterly basis will be able to access the E-file system at www.boe.ca.gov, file their returns and make their prepayments electronically.

In her 2007 Inaugural Address, Steel outlined technological improvements as one of her top priorities for saving taxpayers time and money. This past February, Michelle Steel announced the first ever online broadcast of Board proceedings. Beginning in 2008, e-filers will have the additional option of paying by check. Electronic forms of payment are currently required for e-file programs.

The Board launched its first free E-file system in 2005. Over 750,000 businesses are currently eligible for the service. The goal of the e-file program is to offer taxpayers a fast and convenient method of reporting, enhance the ease of filing, and improve government efficiencies in tax administration. The newly eligible businesses will receive notices in their next quarterly tax returns, expected around July 1st.

Elected to the Board of Equalization in 2006, Michelle Steel serves as the country’s highest ranking Korean-American elected official. She represents the over 8.5 million taxpayers of the Third Board of Equalization District, including the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Riverside, Imperial and San Bernardino.

The five-member Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The Board collects nearly \$53 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 plays a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes.

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