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BETTY T. YEE ANNOUNCES FREE SMALL BUSINESS FAIR IN THE EAST BAY AREA

Betty T. Yee, Chairwoman of the California State Board of Equalization (BOE), along with California State University East Bay President Mo Qayoumi, today announced that federal, state, and local government agencies will team up to offer a free, one-day tax seminar for small businesses in Hayward.

Yee encourages small business owners to attend and bring their questions on tax laws and regulations. Representatives from the BOE, Employment Development Department, Franchise Tax Board, Internal Revenue Service, Small Business Development Center, Service Corps of Retired Executives, and other local, state, and federal agencies will be on hand to assist attendees.

Date: Thursday, October 11, 2007
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (check-in at 8:30)
Place: California State University, East Bay
University Union (new)
25800 Carlos Bee Blvd.
Hayward, CA 94542

The small business fair will begin at 9:00 a.m. with opening remarks from Dr. Qayoumi. The fair will include topics presented in a two-track format to assist attendees interested in starting a business or growing a business:

- The ABCs of starting a business
- Sales and use tax: How to avoid common pitfalls
- Running a home-based business
- Basic sales and use taxes
- Marketing and growing your business
- International trade

For more information, please call 916-341-7389 or visit the BOE website at www.boe.ca.gov/sutax/tpsched.htm.

Chairwoman Betty T. Yee was elected to her post in November 2006. Her district includes many of California's coastal counties, from Del Norte to Santa Barbara, and includes the entire San Francisco Bay Area.

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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