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## The California African American Chamber of Commerce is presenting the "Honorable Gwen Moore California Legislative Reception"

Sacramento - The California African American Chamber of Commerce is presenting the "Honorable Gwen Moore California Legislative Reception" on Wednesday, April 19 at the Sheraton Grand Hotel in Sacramento, California.

The event that features former and current lawmakers, business leaders, and members of the California Legislative Black Caucus, runs from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., in the Sheraton's Ballroom. Hosted by **KOVR 13's Darla Givens**, admission for this prestigious affair is free but pre-registration is required.

Former California Assembly Speaker and Former Mayor San Francisco **Willie Brown**, Former California state **Sen. Roderick Wright** and former California-Hawaii State NAACP President **Alice Huffman**, and will be in attendance. The trio and others that knew her well will share fond memories of Moore and discuss her extraordinary accomplishments in the political arena. CAACC Legislative Committee Chairperson, Mayor Deborah Robertson will welcome guests and speak on behalf of the statewide organizations. Timothy Alan Simon, Esq., CAACC's chairperson, will share the business chambers' goals for 2023 and introduce members of the California legislature and CAACC. A special award presentation is on the agenda.

Moore was first elected to the state legislature in 1978 and served for 16 years until 1994, representing California's 49th district (redistricted and renumbered in 1990 as the 47th district), which currently includes Long Beach, Catalina Island and parts of Los Angeles and Orange counties. While serving in the Assembly, Moore introduced over 400 bills that were signed into law. She also served as Majority Whip and was a member of a number of influential committees, including the Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee.

Moore was also served as vice president of the California-Hawaii State NAACP, chairperson of California African American Water Association and one of the founders of Los Angeles African American Women's Public Policy Institute. For her work in California and across the United States, Moore won numerous national and local awards, including honors from the U.S. Department of Commerce and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund. She passed away in August 2020.

The California African American Chamber of Commerce is the state's largest statewide Black chamber organization. Its mission is to drive economic opportunity and wealth creation for African American businesses, connect and harness the collective strength of our statewide network of member organizations to elevate fiscal health.

The Sheraton Grand Hotel is at 1230 J Street in downtown Sacramento. For more information about the reception, visit <u>www.calaacc.org</u> or call (800) 791-7068.