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Senator Anna Caballero Named 2023 California Building Industry Association State Legislator of the Year

SACRAMENTO - Senator Anna Caballero (D - Merced) has been named 2023 Legislator of the Year by the <u>California Building Industry Association</u> (CBIA). The award is presented every year to a policymaker who stands out for their strong and effective advocacy for increasing housing across the affordability spectrum and for championing Housing for All.

"Senator Anna Caballero has worked tirelessly to advance state policy that increases access to all types of housing and provides more stable housing options for all Californians," said **CBIA President and CEO, Dan Dunmoyer**. "The effort that Senator Caballero has put in to help families achieve the dream of homeownership, especially the challenges faced by rural communities and communities of color, will help define the next generation of homeowners in the California Central Valley and sets her apart from her peers".

Senator Caballero has authored several bills supported by CBIA, including SB 747, a measure that makes numerous improvements to the Surplus Lands Act in ways that advance the development of affordable housing, and SB 684, which helps to address the housing crisis and increase homeownership opportunities by streamlining approval for construction of small lot, modest and affordable homes that low- and middle-income families can afford. Both measures were signed into law by Governor Gavin Newsom in October 2023.

Senator Caballero has also diligently championed legislation to make California's Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) policies more equitable in recognition of the fact that the high cost of home construction in urban areas forces many low- and middle-income families to drive far distances between homes they can afford and their jobs.

About the California Building Industry Association

The California Building Industry Association is a statewide trade association based in Sacramento representing thousands of member companies including homebuilders, trade contractors, architects, engineers, designers, suppliers and industry professionals in the homebuilding, multi-family and mixed-use development markets. CBIA members build nearly 9 out of 10 new housing units built in California, including charity homes, legally defined as affordable housing, middle-class market-rate housing and luxury homes.

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