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CBIA Names Housing Champion Assemblymember Sharon Quirk-Silva as Legislator of the Year

SACRAMENTO - The California Building Industry Association (CBIA) has honored Assemblymember Sharon Quirk-Silva with the Legislator of the Year Award at its Annual Fall Leadership Conference in Carlsbad. This award is presented to members of the Legislature who are strong and effective advocates for housing and community development.

"We have selected Assemblymember Quirk-Silva to be the recipient of CBIA's Legislator of the Year Award because she is a housing creator champion," said Dan Dunmoyer, President and CEO of CBIA. "She is a leader on housing policy and is dedicated to increasing equity in homeownership levels and housing accessibility. We are proud to work with her to advance thoughtful and impactful legislation that keeps California on track to achieve our goal of Housing For All."

Assemblymember Quirk-Silva is a member of the Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee. She regularly and effectively has confronted the onslaught of legislation that actually adds to the cost of housing. She provides a powerful voice for hard working families, the super majority being families of color, who are currently being priced out of California's housing market. Assemblymember Quirk-Silva is also the author of AB 1090, which would create a Task Force to consider and evaluate barriers to homeownership in the state and make recommendations on ways to increase homeownership for all Californians. The measure, now a two-year bill, was identified by CBIA in April 2021 as a Housing Creator. CBIA intends to work with Assemblymember Quirk-Silva to see AB 1090 enacted and become the road map for making housing attainable for more Californians.

Since joining the Legislature, Assemblymember Quirk-Silva has worked hard to develop policies that expand housing opportunities for low- and middle-income families and to find practical solutions for addressing homelessness. She has been at the forefront for a number of housing legislation policies and currently serves as Chair of the Select Committee on Orange County Homelessness and Mental Health Services.

The bills she has authored create practical solutions to address homelessness throughout California and will provide communities the opportunity to be involved in the process to access necessary funding for future housing development.

Assembly Member Quirk-Silva said, “I am honored to be selected by CBIA as their Legislator of the Year. I share CBIA’s commitment to Housing for All. I support and applaud them for calling out how adding more cost, delay and complexity to the homebuilding process means many of my constituents cannot buy a home, start building equity, and fulfill their own American Dream. I am committed to working with my colleagues in the Legislature and key stakeholders to ensure we take the necessary steps to address California’s housing crisis.”

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.

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