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Lt. Gov. Brian Calley and State Rep. Sam Singh to Receive Excellence in Education Awards at Ceremony Celebrating Technology and Education

Education advocates to receive awards at 16th Annual AT&T/MACUL/MVU Student Technology Showcase

LANSING, Mich., November 17, 2016 – Two Michigan officials will receive the 2016 Excellence in Education award at the 16th annual AT&T/MACUL/MVU Student Technology Showcase at **9:15 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7, in the rotunda of the state Capitol in Lansing.**

Lieutenant Governor Brian Calley and State Rep. Sam Singh (D – East Lansing) will be recognized for their dedication to improving education and fostering the use of technology and innovation in schools across Michigan.

The awards are presented by AT&T, the Michigan Association for Computer Users in Learning (MACUL) and Michigan Virtual University (MVU).

“The strong leadership, support and commitment to innovation in education from the Lieutenant Governor and Representative Singh has been remarkable,” said Mark Smith, MACUL executive director. “Michigan students – both present and future – directly benefit because of their hard work and dedication to better incorporating technology into education.”

Lt. Governor Calley, first elected in 2010, is currently the youngest Lieutenant Governor in the country. During his time in office, he has worked as a champion for Michiganders struggling with mental health challenges and is the chair of the Michigan Mental Health and Wellness Commission. He has also been a fierce advocate for those with disabilities, specifically autism, and launched the MI Hidden Talent Tour which strives to raise awareness of the value of hiring people with disabilities.

State Rep. Sam Singh is serving his first term as Democratic Floor Leader and his second term representing Michigan’s 69th House District, which includes East Lansing, Haslett, Okemos, Williamstown Township, and Locke Township. Singh was recently selected to serve as House Minority Leader in the 2017-2018 legislative term. Prior to serving in the Legislature,

Singh spent 10 years on the East Lansing City Council – including one term as mayor – and was the president and CEO of the Michigan Nonprofit Association.

The AT&T/MACUL/MVU Student Technology Showcase will feature technology displays from 30+ schools statewide during three separate sessions. Exhibits will be set up in the halls of the Capitol so that students can provide legislators with hands-on demonstrations to show how technology is being used in the classroom to enhance learning.

MACUL is an organization dedicated to bringing educators from all levels together to share their knowledge and concerns regarding educational uses of computers and technology. For further information about the Showcase, visit www.macul.org or call 517-882-1403.

MVU is a private, nonprofit Michigan corporation established by the state of Michigan in 1998 to serve as a champion for online learning. Visit <http://www.mivu.org/> for more information.

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