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**SLA ANNOUNCES THE APPOINTMENT OF KEVIN KIM AS SLA COMMISSIONER**

*Albany, NY* – The State Liquor Authority today announced the appointment of Kevin D. Kim as Commissioner of the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA). Mr. Kim was nominated by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and confirmed by the New York State Senate as a Commissioner on June 20, 2014.

Prior to his appointment, Mr. Kim worked as an entrepreneur in the education field and also currently serves on the Board of Director of two non-profit organizations: Korean American Community Foundation (KACF) and the International Student Conference. His previous professional experiences include serving as a federal law clerk for then-U.S. District Judge Denny Chin, a corporate attorney at Davis Polk & Wardwell, and Deputy Director of Community Affairs for former Congressman Gary L. Ackerman of New York. Additionally, Mr. Kim formerly served as a member of midtown Manhattan Community Board 5's Public Safety and Quality of Life Committee, where he has worked together with community residents, licensees, and the SLA in reviewing and making recommendations on liquor license applications. Mr. Kim is the first Asian American to serve as a Commissioner of the SLA.

“Governor Cuomo’s administration is committed to attracting the best and brightest in State government, and the appointment of Kevin Kim is a prime example,” said Chairman Dennis Rosen. “I look forward to serving with Commissioner Kim, as he brings his first-hand experience serving as a community board member as well as a deep understanding of the need for government and business to work together.”

“I thank Governor Cuomo for the trust he has placed in me for this important position and the tremendous opportunity to serve. I look forward to working with licensees, community boards and the SLA in promoting and regulating this very important industry,” said Commissioner Kim.

Mr. Kim received his B.A. and M.A. from Stanford University and his J.D. from Columbia Law School, where he was a *Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar* and a member of the *Columbia Law Review*. He is proficient in spoken Korean and conversant in basic Mandarin and Japanese.

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