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ETTA Announces the Appointment of Sam Yebri as President of the Board

North Hollywood, CA (February 6, 2023): ETTA, the leading provider of support services for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Los Angeles, today announced the appointment of Sam Yebri as President of its Board of Directors. Yebri, who joined the ETTA Board in 2014, succeeds Kam Babaoff, who served as President for the past seven years.

“It has been my great honor and pleasure to serve as President of the ETTA Board,” said Babaoff. “I have truly valued the opportunity to work with such a strong and dedicated team and am confident in Sam’s leadership as we continue to thrive and expand our impact.”

“This is a significant moment in the history of our organization. I am deeply grateful to Kam for all that he has done for ETTA and the families we serve,” said Dr. Michael Held, ETTA’s Executive Director. “Equally, we are thrilled to welcome Sam as our new Board President. Sam’s background and experience, along with a wealth of nonprofit and for-profit success, make him a perfect fit for this role and we are confident that he will bring a fresh perspective and drive to ETTA.”



Yebri is an accomplished trial lawyer and partner at Merino Yebri LLP, as well as a civic and non-profit leader with a wealth of experience in various leadership positions. A graduate of Yale University and USC Law School, he has served Los Angeles as a City Commissioner and serves on the Boards of Directors of Bet Tzedek Legal Services, the Jewish Free Loan Association, and the Builders of Jewish Education. Yebri has previously held leadership and Board positions in organizations such as the Jewish Federation of Los Angeles, American Israel Public Affairs Committee, the Anti-Defamation League, and the Jewish Community Foundation, among others.

"I am incredibly honored to have been selected as ETTA's next President, and I stand ready to take on this exciting challenge with the passion and unwavering commitment that ETTA's clients deserve," said Yebri. "As a proud supporter of ETTA's mission for nearly 20 years, I believe in our organization's unique ability to make a real difference in the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Los Angeles. I am excited to add my experience and strategic vision to ETTA's extraordinary team to help ETTA's impact reach even greater heights."

About ETTA

ETTA provides a full range of services, including housing, job training, and support to help individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities live fulfilling lives. Founded in 1993 with the goal of making a meaningful impact in the lives of those it serves, ETTA continues to lead the way in providing innovative and compassionate support to individuals with disabilities and their families. Learn more and get involved at www.ETTA.org.

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