

Villaraigosa Appoints Jeevan Zutshi To State Transportation Committee.

Jeevan Zutshi, a longtime community activist and a transportation Engineer with a master's degree in Civil Engineering from San Jose State University, California has been appointed to the Departmental Transportation Advisory Committee by Speaker of the California State Assembly Antonio Villaraigosa. Term of this appointment is from January 31, 2000 to January 31, 2004. Jeevan Zutshi of Fremont, California is the President of Indo-American Community Federation and senior V.P of Indian American Friendship Council. He is also the Northern California regional chairman for the Indo-Americans Political Foundation (I.A.P.F.), a nonpartisan organization dedicated to raising awareness of processes and institutions in American politics, and seeking to ensure equity for Indo-Americans in government. Zutshi has served his community locally on the city's transit and transportation commission including very important committees and commissions in Alameda County. He is on the Board of Directors of Tri-City Homeless Coalition and also Fremont Chamber of Commerce. He is also a leading member of the Census 2000 Complete Count Committee. Mr. Zutshi is an exceptionally qualified individual with a great deal of talent in a wide range of areas, and Speaker Villaraigosa's appointment speaks volumes not only about Mr. Zutshi's abilities and potential contributions, but also about the growing role that Indo-Americans will be making in California's governance, said Sunil Aghi, President of the Anaheim, California based I.A.P.F. I can't imagine a finer appointment. Villaraigosa is committed to making appointments that reflect the great diversity of California, and announced this policy during an I.A.P.F hosted event last October. I.A.P.F. has worked closely with the Speaker's office in identifying highly qualified Indo-Americans. The Departmental Transportation Advisory Committee is charged under California law with preparing and reporting on transportation issues, including functional classification and needs studies. The prestigious appointment is for a four year term and advises California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) on transportation issues.