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## HALL OF FAME ANNOUNCER BOB MILLER TO RECEIVE LOS ANGELES AREA GOVERNORS AWARD FROM TELEVISION ACADEMY

(NoHo Arts District, Calif. – May 31, 2017) — Broadcast and Hockey Hall of Famer and longtime Los Angeles Kings play-by-play announcer Bob Miller has been selected by the Los Angeles Area Governors Award committee and the Television Academy as the 2017 Los Angeles Area Governors Award recipient. He will be presented with the prestigious honor during the Los Angeles Area Emmy<sup>®</sup> Awards on Saturday, July 22, in the Television Academy's Wolf Theatre at the Saban Media Center.

The esteemed Los Angeles Area Governors Award is presented to an individual, company or organization that has made an outstanding, innovative and visionary achievement in the arts, sciences or management of television as well as a substantial contribution to the Southland community.

"Bob is one of the most beloved, respected and generous individuals in Los Angeles sports and broadcasting," said Hayma Washington, chairman and CEO of the Television Academy. "His lively broadcasts have become synonymous with the Los Angeles Kings franchise, and it is an honor to present him with the Governors Award to commemorate his impactful career."

Known as the "Voice of the Kings," Miller's play-by-play broadcasts captured – and captivated – millions of listeners for more than four decades. For 44 seasons Miller narrated some of the most important calls in the team's history, including the Kings' first Stanley Cup win in franchise history in 2012 and their second in 2014. He is one of the few sports broadcasters to have earned a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Miller became a media honoree in the Hockey Hall of Fame in 2000, receiving the Foster Hewitt Memorial Award, which is given to members of the radio and television industry who make valuable contributions to the profession.

Miller's career began after graduating college in 1960 and landing a job in television sports journalism. In 1973 he began his run with the Kings, and in 1998 he received a "lifetime contract" with the team. Miller announced his retirement in March 2017, declaring the Kings' last two regular-season games on April 8 and 9 as his very last as a broadcaster.

Past Los Angeles Area Governors Award recipients include Stephanie Edwards, Pat Harvey, Christine Devine, Bill Stout, Hal Fishman, Johnny Grant, KCET, Ted Meyers, Bill Welch, Vin Scully, Jerry Dunphy, Larry McCormick, George Putnam, Gene Autry, KTLA, KMEX, Jess Marlow, Kelly Lange, Joel Tator, Chick Hearn, Pete Noyes, Dr.

George Fischbeck, KMEX Univision, Bob Eubanks, Stan Freberg, Telemundo's KVEA, Steve Edwards and Susan Stratton.

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