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RIC ANNOUNCES FORMATION OF NEW JERSEY CHAPTER

The State Chapter for New Jersey was recently established by the RIC. This is a landmark development as New Jersey has one of the highest numbers of Indians in the country.

Dr. Kuchipudi Bapineedu has been appointed Chairman of the Republican Committee of New Jersey (RIC-NJ). Dr. Bapineedu is a senior Surgeon who is well known and highly established in the medical fraternity. He is an honored award holder and holds membership to various prestigious medical boards.

Dr. Bapineedu has been a long time fundraiser and activist for the Indian American Community in the state. He is the founding trustee and vice chairman for the Hindu Temple and cultural society of USA. He is the secretary of the Board of Trustees, Hindu Temple, Bridgewater, NJ and is also Chairman, Indian-American Festival, an annual event that has been organized by the cultural Society of USA for the past 11 years.

Arthur Kapoor was appointed President of the RIC-NJ. Arthur is a well-traveled healthcare industry pioneer, a seasoned entrepreneur who has successfully built and sold software companies to Fortune 100 entities.

Arthur has over 22 years of experience in software development, EDI and has negotiated various mergers, acquisitions and reorganizations in the healthcare industry and is currently an advisor to various healthcare organizations on HIPAA regulations, HL-7 reforms and Healthcare HITEC Act. Arthur is a long time resident of New Jersey, and is actively involved with several charity organizations. He served as an Associate Chair for Israel at 60 and now serves on various boards, including New Jersey State Theatre, NJIT College of Computing, Durga Mandir, and Somerset Medical Foundation. He is a registered Republican since 1987. Arthur has a B.S. in Computer Science and an MBA in Marketing from Rutgers University, New Jersey.

Dr. Mukesh Roy was appointed executive Director of the RIC-NJ. Dr. Roy is the Director of Public Health Preparedness, Planning and Education at Ocean County Health

Department. Previously, he worked as the Senior Emergency Preparedness Consultant for Yale- New Haven Center. Roy also serves as Chief of Preventive Medicine for the 105th Medical Group, New York Air National Guard.

To his credit, Dr. Roy served for 4 years in the United States Air Force in the following roles: Deputy Commander of Public Health, Officer in Charge of Medical Intelligence and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Coordinator. During his military service, he was deployed to Nigeria in direct support of the United States Presidential Mission and to Afghanistan as part of Operation Enduring Freedom. Dr. Roy was also appointed to the NJ State Public Health Council by Republican Governor Donald T. DiFrancesco and also serves on the Board of JFK Medical Center, Edison, NJ.

Additional officers appointed by RIC in New Jersey include:

- **Shivani Nath** as Vice President-Legislative Affairs. Shivani Nath has worked clinically and administratively in psychoanalysis since 1996 in a variety of settings, as a Program Director, Researcher, Professor, Therapist, and Mental Health Project Director. Shivani has been a board member on various health related organizations. She has worked with State Senators and Legislators on various healthcare related bills. In addition, from 2001- 2005, Shivani worked with the families of the victims of 9-11 attacks.

- **Nutan Kalamdani** as Vice President-Governmental Affairs. Nutan launched a publication known as CineViews which started in print and transitioned to an on-line magazine. In 2009, Nutan stood for election as a Republican Council candidate in the Woodbridge township. Nutan is also part of the Woodbridge Township Republican Organization (WTRO). Nutan has been a coordinator for events associated with several Indian-American organizations.

- **Bhrugesh Patel** as Vice President-Political Affairs. Bhrugesh Patel is an entrepreneur who has successfully managed several Information Technology Companies and real estate investment companies. He is currently a managing director of Lexon Loyde, Inc. which focuses on providing Network Solution to hedge fund and reinsurance companies. He is also a Managing Member of Hillsborough Properties where he is focusing on developing Solar Energy Farm and other environmentally friendly Products.

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