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AAMVA Welcomes California Official as Chair of the AAMVA International Board of Directors

Arlington, VA – During the 2016 AAMVA Annual International Conference in Williamsburg, Virginia, the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) elected Jean Shiomoto, Director of the California Department of Motor Vehicles, as Chair of its International Board of Directors.

“AAMVA is very excited to have Jean Shiomoto coming on board as our new Chair,” said Anne S. Ferro, AAMVA President and CEO. “Her leadership experience, along with her strong track record in raising the bar for highway safety and public service, will benefit AAMVA greatly in the forthcoming year.”

Jean Shiomoto was appointed the Director of the California Department of Motor Vehicles by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr., on November 5, 2013. Prior to that, she was the Acting Director since January 2013 and the Chief Deputy Director from April 2012. Shiomoto directs the statewide operations of the department with a budget of \$1 billion and over 9,000 employees. Statewide operations include driver licensing, vehicle registration, motor carrier licensing, driver safety, occupational licensing, and investigations.

Shiomoto has been with the Department for over 28 years and has over 36 years of experience in administrative and fiscal management in State Government. In 2015, the department successfully implemented AB 60; the Safe and Responsible Driver Act to issue driver licenses to undocumented immigrants. During the program’s first year, the department issued over 600,000 driver licenses and administered over two million knowledge and drive test examinations

Shiomoto earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the California State University, Sacramento in Business Administration with a concentration in Accounting.

Founded in 1933, AAMVA serves North American motor vehicle and law enforcement agencies to accomplish their missions. The association’s vision - Safe Drivers, Safe Vehicles, Secure Identities, Saving Lives - guides AAMVA’s activities, resources, and programs in driver licensing, vehicle titling/registration, motor carrier services, identity management, and technology solutions.

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