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NORWALK, Calif. – May 12, 2010 – Dr. Ken Matsuura, counselor and articulation officer at Cerritos College, received the Southern CIAC (The California Intersegmental Articulation Council) Service Award for his advocacy effort for students on behalf of the articulation community for the past 15 years.

The award was presented at the CIAC Annual Conference 2010 held in San Diego, April 22-23, 2010.

“I was deeply honored by my selection and very grateful for the award,” said Matsuura.

“It was especially gratifying because the recognition came from my peers in the articulation community.”

The CIAC Service Award recognizes exemplary contribution made by a member of CIAC to the articulation endeavor.

What brought the award to Matsuura was his 15 years of outstanding service above and beyond the “call of duty” to the CIAC community and to the students.

In the articulation community, Matsuura has served in multiple capacities including CIAC representative, CCC representative for the LDTP (Lower Division Transfer Patterns)
Advisory Committee, Regional Chair, and Chair of the Southern California Higher Education Council. He is currently on the Transfer and Articulation subcommittee for the CCC Academic Senate and is the Chair of Region 8.

"Dr. Matsuura is well respected as a veteran counselor and Articulation Officer throughout our campus as well as statewide. He has a quiet leadership style and is a wonderful colleague. I am delighted that CIAC has recognized Ken and his many years of dedication," said Dean of Counseling Services Dr. Renée DeLong Chomiak.

Cerritos College serves as a comprehensive community college for southeastern Los Angeles County. Communities within the college's district include Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, La Mirada, Norwalk, and portions of Bell Gardens, Lakewood, Long Beach, Santa Fe Springs and South Gate. Cerritos College offers degrees and certificates in more than 180 areas of study in nine divisions. Annually, more than 1,200 students successfully complete their course of studies, and enrollment currently averages 23,000 students. Visit Cerritos College online at http://www.cerritos.edu/.

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