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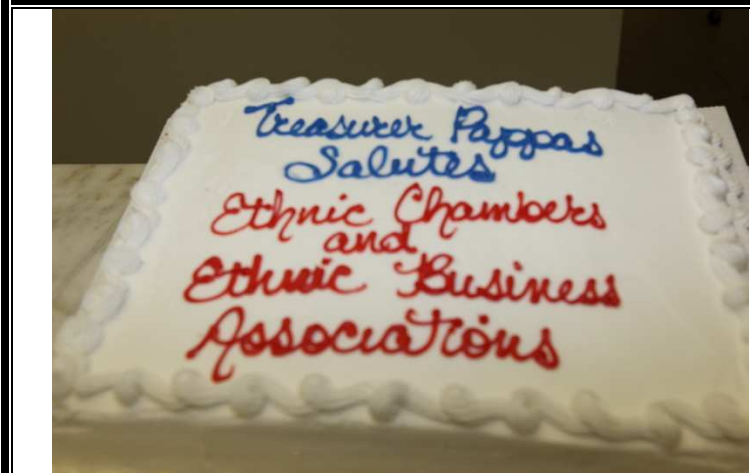
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## A group of six people are posed for a photograph at the Chicago International Film Festival. On the far left, a man in a light blue shirt and dark trousers holds a young boy in a grey suit. Next to him is a man in a dark suit and blue striped tie. In the center is a woman in a dark blue dress. To her right is a man in a dark suit and blue tie, holding a white certificate that reads "AWARD OF EXCELLENCE" and "ASIAN PRIDEA USA". On the far right is a woman in a traditional Indian sari. The background is decorated with various national flags and a banner for the "27th Chicago International Film Festival".



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Attended by diverse ethnic business organizations - African-American, Albanian, Arab, Asian, Australian, Austrian, Belgian, British, Bulgarian, Canadian, Chinese, Czech, Danish, Finnish, French, Ghanaian, German, Greek, Hispanic, Indian, Iranian, Irish, Israeli, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latino, Lithuanian, Macedonian, Malaysian, Mexican, Norwegian, Palestinian, Pakistani, Filipino, Polish, Puerto Rican, Russian, Romanian, Scottish, Serbian, Swedish, Turkish and Ukrainian, the day started with registration and social hour.

Speaking on the occasion, Pappas said, "Cook County is as diverse an area as our country has, and our ethnic communities are devoted to maintaining themselves and honoring their various heritages. That traditionally is done with music, song, dance, food and language but the ties that bind are also economic. These organizations help keep ethnic heritage alive by supporting companies owned by members of their communities and encouraging their people to do business with them. Strengthening individual ethnic groups makes for a stronger Chicagoland, which we recognize and honor."

Prominent Indian and Pakistani chamber of commerce which were recognized included - Asian Community News Services USA, one of the fastest growing media group. Started with covering Indian Community news in Chicago and it quickly become one of the prominent ethnic media group covering Bangladeshi, Pakistani and other Asian groups in Chicagoland.

Speaking to Suresh Bodiwala, chairman and founder of Asian Media USA said, "Asian Media USA is Non-profit, community organization. We are journalist-led media company wedded to the purpose of building a better society through free-spirited journalism. We follows a matrix structure whose essence is multiple reporting and varied responsibility for fostering imagination, and creativity. We are the group of volunteers, who believe in giving back to society. We are known for our service and dedication. We want educate our younger generation about the power and importance of media, so we have taken this task. We believe in hard work, spirituality and serving community. With unique brand of accountability, reliability and responsibility, our team consists of - Chandrakant Modi MD, President and senior editor, Jitubhai R. Patel, Vice President and photographer, Katen Chokshi, videographer, Jitu Balasara and Parag Chokshi, photographer and IT support, Shaik Jameel, web designer and Jagdish Suthar, graphic designer"

Services of Evia Travel Inc too were recognized when AQ Siddiqui, CEO, received an award from Pappas. Elated with his success Siddiqui told that "I achieved a consolidator position for Evia Travel Inc in less than 3 years. Having agreements with all and over 15 major airlines, Evia Travel Inc is also the first Indian travel portal that has a direct "Sale and booking engine" on its website, where travelers can book lowest fare, hotels and car rentals like any other major websites. Evia Travel Inc has also pioneered in Umrah travel. The first travel agency to negotiate and propose Umrah fares with major airlines such as Air India, Etihad, Turkish airlines and British Airways for Indian passengers.

Receiving an award from Pappas, Midwest Business Alliance (MBA) told to Asian Community News Services USA that by facilitating, encouraging and supporting new business owners, MBA has become one of the key associations for business owners from different type of businesses in Midwestern United States. Established in 1999 by Illinois and Wisconsin business owners M BA continually explores the marketplace for reliable distribution houses and service providers for its members that are spread over Midwest region of United States. MBA also encourages new entrepreneurs in their business initiatives by providing them guidance on statutory and licensing requirements for different trade.

MBA is affiliated with the National Alliance of Trade Associations (NATA) whose current membership strength is over 4500 businesses in USA.

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