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CITATION

KALA SEVA RATNA AWARD - 2023

to

Shri. K.N. Ramaswamy

Shri. K.N. Ramaswamy who is known for his leadership qualities and charismatic Public Relations skills, associated himself with Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan in 2000 as its Deputy Director in Chennai, after a span of four decades with Corporate and Media Houses. His passion and dedication to the mission of Bhavan was well recognized and he was appointed as its Director in 2010.

He is now responsible for the Bhavan's Chennai Chapter, which includes its planning and execution of cultural programmes, language education and imparting free computer education to the economically weaker sections of the society and to senior citizens. He is also responsible for printing and distribution of Bhavan's prestigious fortnightly, the Bhavan's Journal and its children's magazine Dimdima. He is incharge of Bhavan's Rajaji Vidyashram, a reputed CBSE School situated at Kilpauk in Chennai, overseeing its efficient functioning.

He has been highly recognized by industry for his work towards promoting art and culture. He has received many prestigious Awards from various organizations including Bharath Kalachar, Bharatanjali, MTS Academy Life Time Achievement Award, Saradhi Award, etc. He is recipient of the Sangeetha Seva Ratna by the Music Forum. He is also recipient of 21st Century Millenium Award for promotion of Art and Culture, Karthik Rajagopal Memorial Award, Mylapore Academy Award and Kala Seva Rathinam by Saraswathi Gana Nilayam.

He also received the Government of Tamilnadu's prestigious Award for promoting art and culture and was also honoured by the India Post's Independence Award. He has been presented the Life Time Achievement Award by YACD for promoting Art and Culture.

Besides the active engagements he has for Bhavans, he is an active member of the arts community at large. He was a Committee Member of the Tamil Eyal Isai Nataka Mandram. He was an Advisory Committee Member to the Sangeeth Natak Academy for UNESCO's recognition of Chennai as a Creative City for Music. He is also a Member of the Advisory Board of AIMA. The very recent feather to his cap is a title "Abhinava Poshaka" bestowed on him by KVN Trust and Bharatiyar Centenary Award from the South Madras Club. He is a recipient of Kalaimamani Title from The Government of Tamilnadu last year.

The Award Committee of Rasika Ranjani Sabha takes great pleasure in conferring the

KALA SEVA RATNA AWARD – 2023 for EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO PROMOTION OF PERFORMING ARTS to Shri. K.N. RAMASWAMY on this 18th day of August 2023.