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Alamitos Eye Care Supports LAEF's King and Queen Campaign

(Seal Beach, CA) – Alamitos Eye Care, an Optometric Corporation, on Cherry Street in Los Alamitos has continued their generous sponsorship of LAEF by providing \$2000 to the King and Queen of Hearts Campaign at the Duke/Duchess level. The Los Alamitos Education Foundation (LAEF) is extremely grateful to Dr. Avani Patel for supporting education in our community, especially as the proceeds from the campaign will support STEAM Fairs on all campuses and a district-wide STEAM Showcase at the end of the school year. STEAM stands for science, technology, engineering, the arts, and math.

Dr. Avani Patel, O.D., F.A.A.O. opened her private practice in Los Alamitos in 1999, and moved to her current location by the Los Alamitos Medical Center in a stand-alone building in 2007. In addition to her private practice in Los Alamitos, she is also the Director of Low Vision Rehabilitation at Long Beach Memorial Hospital where she works specifically with patients whose vision loss requires treatment beyond the scope of normal range glasses or contact lenses. This extends into specialty devices measuring remaining vision and fields designed to enhance a patient's remaining vision. She works with and consults with many Ophthalmologists in L.A. and Orange County for diseases of the eye outside the scope of her practice. She has been invited by and trained to screen the suitability of advanced macular degeneration patients for a newly FDA approved implantable telescope by Centra Sight.

Dr. Patel sees patients of all ages including pediatrics and is well known throughout the Optometric and Ophthalmologic communities. In 2013-14 she has been a member of the Board

of Directors of the Rio Hondo Optometric Society and has been their continuing education coordinator scheduling numerous Ophthalmologists for clinical presentations regarding retinal and corneal issues, macular degeneration, glaucoma and many other aspects of medical diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the eye.

She is currently expanding her practice to include the association of the renowned Dr. Rebecca Kammer, O.D., F.A.A.O., Diplomate, PhD. for the practice of Low Vision specifically. Dr. Patel will soon announce the addition of Dr. Kammer to Alamitos Eye Care as well as the addition of the newly remodeled second floor of her practice which will be known as "The Studio at Alamitos Eye Care".

In addition to LAEF, Dr. Patel supports many community service programs including music, arts, sports and education in the Los Alamitos Unified School District, the Los Alamitos Chamber of Commerce, Los Alamitos Youth Center, Los Alamitos Police Officers Association, Taste for Los Al, St. Isidore Plaza renovation and the American Legion Post #716 in Los Alamitos of which her husband, a military veteran, is a member.

For inquiries or questions regarding Alamitos Eye Care scheduling, insurance, referrals or community partnerships, please call (562) 430-6161. For additional information on LAEF, please call (562) 277-6876 or visit www.LAEF4kids.org. To learn more about the King and Queen of Hearts campaign, visit www.LAEF4Kids.org/kingandqueen.

Pictured in photograph – Dr. Avani Patel

