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Dear Members,

I am honored to be your president and to have the privilege to serve the India Association of St. Louis (IASTL) for the year 2018. During this year, we celebrated all functions jubilantly with resounding success due to the participation of the several children and the members of this unique organization. Please kindly accept my sincere thanks for all your support. India association has been serving as the platform to exhibit exceptional talents of the children and adults alike since the last 51 years.

We celebrated 69th Republic day on 28th January where over 100 Children participated in flag hoisting ceremony. I thank Mr. Ram Lakshmanan, Judges Judy and George Draper, state representative Dean Plocher and Mark Mantovani for gracing the occasion.

In March, Mrs Neeta Bhushan, Consulate General of Chicago, paid a visit to us despite her extremely busy Schedule and detailed the opportunities of the NRIs to visit and have business relations. We have celebrated the Spring Festival on April 1st this year with colors and huge participation of over 175 children presenting cultural event in various languages. It was a grand success event as 85% of the Cultural programs participants were children whose ages ranged from 3 years to 14 years.

Consular camp on May 13th was availed by many community members and they requested to have this event every year. My special thanks goes to Mrs Neeta Bhushan and her staff for their help in organizing this special drive. On Sunday the 12th of August, we have celebrated The Independence day. The key note address was delivered by the founding member of IAS and MGC, a renowned business man, Dr. Kamal Yadav and Congress Woman Mrs Ann Wagner was the VIP guest speaker for the occasion. We also participated in Chicago, Consul General's cultural function this year.

In association with several local Indian Organizations, we hosted a fund raising dinner event to help Kerala Flood victims on August 31st night. It was a huge success and the collected donations were distributed to Ramakrishna Mission and Seva International for proper disbursement.

I thank by-law committee members, Mr. Satish Nayak, Mr. Vijaykumar Budhiraju and Mr. Punit Jain. I also extend my sincere thanks to our IASTL Board for their immense help in successful completion of the Bylaws review and amendments. The amended Document will be presented at the General body meeting on Diwali nite and can be viewed on the website before the final approval. Stall participants are to be acknowledged for their advertisement, food and clothing exhibitions that made events more colorful.

This year has been a successful eventful year. I would like to thank all of you for your continuous support and my heartfelt thanks goes to our IASTL board and Volunteers for their support and services. We will have Diwali program on 17th November and New Year eve on the 31st December. Please come and join us to celebrate these events together.

Sincerely,

Krishna Rao V. Moharir

President, India Association of St. Louis.

INCOME 1-1 to 10-31-2018	
Booths	\$ 1,250.00
Membership	\$ 2,975.00
Other (copying, souvenir ads)	\$ 401.00
Non –member	\$ 1,203.00
Kerala Fund raising	\$ 10,029.00
Lincoln transfer	\$ 3,024.72
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 18,882.72

EXPENSES 1-1 to 10-31-2018	
Independence day	\$ 427.11
Kerala	\$ 10,578.26
Printing	\$ 128.50
State Registration + Post box	\$ 109.25
Bank charge	\$ 50
Diwali (2017 BF)	\$ 276
Republic Day	\$ 493.66
Spring Festival	\$ 989.14
CG	\$ 61.11
Web design	\$ 211.39
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 13,324.24

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India Association of St. Louis Election for Board **Nomination form**

Nominations are solicited for a 3 year term from 3 members to join IAS Board. As per the bylaws, the nominee must be a member of IAS for a minimum of 3 continuous years or life members for two years. Nominator as well as Seconder must be members of IAS. Nomination form must be completely filled.

I hereby nominate the person below to serve as a IAS board member for a three year term (2019-2021).

Name of the proposed nominee _____ Phone _____

Signature of the proposed nominee _____

Nomination proposed by _____ Phone _____

Signature _____

Seconded by _____ Phone _____

Signature _____ Date _____

**Mail to Attn: Election Officer
India Association of St. Louis
PO Box 6282, St. Louis MO 63006**

Completely filled nomination form must be received with original signatures of nominee, proposing nominator and seconding IAS members in the mailbox by January 5, 2019.

Incomplete or illegible nominations will not be accepted.

Thanks for the services of **Krishna Rao Moharir, Sharath Rao and Sendil Rathina Sabhapathi**