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## FACCC RESPONDS TO THE GOVERNOR'S JANUARY BUDGET PROPOSAL

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The Faculty Association of California Community Colleges (FACCC) has issued the following statement on the release of the state budget agreement made by the Governor and Legislature.

"Given the state's projected budget deficit of \$38 billion, FACCC is appreciative of the focus on maintaining funding for community colleges while implementing limited funding increases, including a COLA. Despite fiscal challenges, the budget demonstrates continued commitment to supporting faculty, staff, and the 1.9 million students who rely on California's community colleges.

FACCC praises the Governor's investments in the vital career education programs that train California's future workforce, including the expansion of nursing B.S. programs and the Master Plan for Career Technical Education. This is an important reminder of the multiple roles our colleges play beyond transfer, and FACCC welcomes the increased focus in this area.

With figures more stable than that of prior predictions, FACCC is hopeful that this budget will provide the support necessary to continue advancing the mission and vision of the California Community Colleges."

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