

BAKERSFIELD March 30, 2021

DOMINGUEZ HILLS

EAST BAY

FRESNO

HUMBOLDT

MARITIME ACADEMY

MONTEREY BAY

SACRAMENTO

SAN DIEGO

SAN JOSÉ

SAN MARCOS

SAN BERNARDINO

CHANNEL ISLANDS Dear CSU Faculty and Staff,

CHICO Over the past year, the pandemic has presented numerous challenges for the CSU

science, facts and the guidance of public-health officials to ensure the safety of all, while

employees, students, and the communities we serve. We have continued to follow the

providing critical programs to support the needs of our valued faculty and staff — who are,

of course, integral to advancing the CSU mission.

During my first months as your chancellor, I have heard from employees, and I understand FULLERTON

the need for additional support to help faculty and staff meet the persistent challenges of the pandemic. From March 2020 through today, many of our employees systemwide have

qualified for and utilized the COVID-related leave benefits that the CSU developed and

provided in support of all employees. LONG BEACH

LOS ANGELES Talks regarding a new CSU COVID-related leave benefit program are ongoing with most

> of our employee groups. After we initiated these efforts, Governor Gavin Newsom recently signed SB 95, which provides 80 hours of COVID-related leave for employees through

September 2021. As chancellor, I plan to expand the benefit to a total of 128 hours through

December 2021 for full-time employees. These benefits went into effect on

NORTHRIDGE March 29, 2021 for non-represented employees and will be retroactive to January 1, 2021.

POMONA It is also my intention to provide these expanded benefits to represented employees.

However, the CSU must first go through the required meet-and-confer process with the

respective unions. I know many employees are eager for details, and I ask for your

patience. Please know that benefits under SB 95, and any expansion, will be retroactive to

January 1, 2021.

I hope this additional leave benefit will further exemplify the CSU unwavering dedication SAN FRANCISCO

to our valued employees, without whom we could not fulfill our mission, especially in

these unprecedented times.

Sincerely, SAN LUIS OBISPO

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