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## Message from the President

## Members of the Campus Community:

I am pleased to present the California State University, Fresno Budget Book for the 2021-22 fiscal year. The tables and charts contained in this budget document provide both detail and summary data on the allocation of the General Fund budget for fiscal year 2021-22, as well as final budget and expenditure data for fiscal year 2020-21 for comparative purposes. This document also includes similar detail and summary budget and expenditure data for fiscal year 2020-21 for comparative purposes. This document also includes similar detail and summary budget and expenditure data on Continuing Education, Health Center, Lottery, and funds and the budgets for the University Auxiliaries.

The Budget Act of 2021 includes, but is not limited to, a \$550.2 million increase in recurring General Fund appropriation for the California State University (CSU) operating fund. The budget includes restoration of the previously enacted \$299 million General Fund reduction to the CSU, a \$186 million base increase for CSU operational costs, \$15 million for the Basic Needs Initiative component of Graduation Initiative 2025, \$15 million for student mental health, \$6 million for summer financial aid, and \$0.2 million for the Corporation for Education Network Initiatives in California. Fresno State's share of budget increase is \$17,215,000.

I am proud of our students, faculty and staff who achieved many impressive accomplishments during a challenging time. Amid a global pandemic, our University was still able to exceed 1 million hours of service for the 12th year in a row. In August of 2021, we announced a 10-year partnership with Valley Children's Healthcare to support student-athletes and provide scholarships for students pursuing a degree in health, with a shared vision to strengthen and expand the impact that both institutions have in the health and well-being of youth and families in the Valley. In fall 2021, the University transitioned from virtual to in-person classes and welcomed over 9,000 first-year and most second-year students, who had never set foot on campus due to COVID-19, to the University during welcome week. For the fifth consecutive year, we ranked No. 3 among public national universities for graduation-rate performance in U.S. News and World Report's 2022 Best College Rankings. Fresno State also ranked fifth among the best universities nationally for social mobility in the 2021 Social Mobility Index by CollegeNet. Research at Fresno State hit a record \$48.2 million in research grants and awards, and the University's research status was elevated to "Doctoral University — High Research Activity," or R2 status. In recognition of our commitment to serving Latino students, Fresno State is one of only 10 trendsetting institutions in the nation to earn the prestigious 2021 Seal of Excelencia this year.

These accomplishments could not be possible without outstanding people with strong commitment to excellence. Thank you to the entire campus community for their strong commitment to excellence.

Sincerely,

Saul Jimenez-Sandoval, Ph.D. President