A Special Message to the CSUSB Community:

In an effort to promote a healthy campus and provide students, faculty, staff, guests and the public with campuses that foster a safe and healthy environment, the California State University (CSU) system will implement a "Smoke and Tobacco Free" policy effective September 1, 2017.

- The <u>policy</u> prohibits any use of cigarettes, cigars, pipes, electronic smoking devices, tobacco products, chew tobacco, tobacco accessories, vaporizing liquids, or any other tobacco utilization device.
- The <u>new policy</u> applies to all students, faculty, staff, alumni, and visitors on CSU property. Everyone throughout the CSU system will take part in this initiative to make the CSU a healthier place to learn and grow.
- The policy also applies to private vehicles located on campus property.

The success of this initiative depends on the thoughtfulness and cooperation of all members of the campus community. For decades, the health hazards of tobacco and second-hand smoke have been well chronicled. Further, studies have clearly demonstrated the acute health benefits, medical costs savings, and organizational costs savings when individuals quit smoking.

In the coming weeks, we will announce a series of smoking cessation classes, available to faculty, staff and students.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact <u>Grace Castillo Johnson</u> (Director of the Student Health Center).

Thank you for your continued efforts to make our campus a great place to work and learn.

Sincerely,

Tomás D. Morales President