Colleagues,

It is my great pleasure to inform you that, following a national search, the CSU Trustees today announced the selection of the new Chancellor to lead one of this country's largest, most diverse systems of higher education. You can use this link to read the official announcement from Lillian Kimbell, chair of the CSU Board of Trustees.

Dr. Joseph I. Castro is an outstanding choice as Chancellor. His reputation as an educator and leader is exceptional, and his successful tenure as President of Fresno State gives him tremendous insight and understanding of the CSU. It has been my pleasure and honor to have worked with him over the years, and I am excited to continue to do so as he steps into his new leadership role. While he has a tough act to follow, I believe Dr. Castro will take up where retiring Chancellor Tim White left off and continue to make the CSU among the most innovative and progressive university systems dedicated to student success in the nation.

You have a chance to learn more about Chancellor-Elect Castro this Friday. I invite you to use this link at http://www.calstate.edu/chancellorconversation to view a virtual interview and hear his philosophy on higher education and vision for the CSU.

Sincerely, **Tomás D. Morales**President