PROPOSITION 30, EDUCATION PROTECTION ACCOUNT (EPA) FUNDING AND EXPENDITURES

The spending determinations for the Compton Community College District's Proposition 30 (EPA) Funds which is included in the District's 2023-2024 Final Budget is being presented in an open Board meeting on *Tuesday, October 17*, 2023 in the Compton Community College District Boardroom located in the Administration Building at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, California 90221.

BACKGROUND

Proposition 30, the Schools and Local Public Safety Protection Act of 2012 passed in November 2012. This proposition temporarily raised the sales and use tax by .25 cents and raised the income tax rate for high-income earners (\$250,000 for individuals and \$500,000 for couples) to provide continuing funding for local school districts and community colleges. Per Proposition 30, a community college district as the sole authority to determine how the moneys received from the Education Protection Account (EPA) are spent, provided that the governing board shall make these spending determinations in open session of a public meeting of the governing board and shall not use any of the funds from the EPA for administrative salaries and benefits or any other administrative costs. Furthermore, each entity receiving funds shall annually publish on its Internet website an accounting of how much money was received from the EPA and how that money was spent.

Additionally, the annual independent financial and compliance audit required of community colleges shall ascertain and verify whether the funds provided from the EPA have been properly disbursed and expended as required by law. Expenses incurred to comply with these additional audit requirements may be paid from the EPA.

The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office disseminates information on the estimated annual allocation to Districts. Per Exhibit B-4b dated September 20, 2023, Compton CCD will receive an estimated \$6,766,429 during 2023-2024. The EPA funds are not additional funds but rather are components of the "computational revenue" calculation.

The Compton Community College District's intent is to use all the estimated funds to partially fund the District's *instructional salaries*. The Details of the EPA Account report from our Annual CCFS-311 be posted to the District's website following the completion of the Annual CCFS-311 each year to meet the website posting requirements.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees discuss and adopt the funding and expending determination in the amount of \$6,766,429 to be spent entirely on *instructional salaries*.