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MEDIA ADVISORY

CALIFORNIA FACULTY ASSOCIATION TO CALL ON LEGISLATURE TO PREVENT A 10% STUDENT FEE HIKE BY INCLUDING FUNDS IN THE BUDGET

**-- Faculty to Stand With Approximately 100 Students as They Present
Lt. Gov John Garamendi With 5000 Personalized Letters From
Students in Opposition to Another Fee Hike; Legislature Can Avoid the
Fee Hike by Including the Funding in the 2007/08 Budget --**

WHO: California Faculty Association
Approximately 100 CSU Students from Campuses Statewide
Lieutenant Governor, John Garamendi

WHAT: Earlier this year, the CSU Board of Trustees voted for a 10% student fee hike for the 2007/08 school year, which would become official on July 1. That hike could be avoided if the Legislature decides to include the \$65 million instead of taxing the students. If the fee hike goes into effect, it would mean that students will have suffered 94% in fee hikes since 2002 – far outstripping the rate of inflation. The Legislature will decide on a final budget on or around June 15.

Over 70 students will deliver thousands of handwritten letters from CSU students to Legislators asking for the fees not to be raised. Lt. Gov John Garamendi, who is also a CSU Board of Trustees member, will accept the letters. Following the event, students will march through the halls at the Capitol where they will deliver copies of letters to the Governor's office, Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunez's office, and Senate President Pro Tem Don Perata's office. Faculty members and students will continue on with "CFA Lobby Day," in which their message to elected officials will be to stop the fee hikes.

WHERE: NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION:
West Steps (facing 10th Street), State Capitol, Sacramento, CA

WHEN: Wednesday, May 9 at 10:00 a.m.

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