

## **Community College Statutory Funding**

WHEREAS the allocation of Proposition 98 funds to community colleges and K-12 was originally intended to be on the basis that 10.93% would go to colleges and 89.07% would go to K-12, and

WHEREAS the actual allocation of Prop. 98 funds to community colleges has historically ranged from 10.1% to 11% and last year was 9.6%, and

WHEREAS the governor has proposed a budget for 2004-05 that would once again result in the community college share being far below the statutory amount, and

WHEREAS reductions in the Prop. 98 share for community colleges continues to devastate California's most democratic, cost-effective system of higher education and closes the doors of opportunity in the faces of hundreds of thousands of low-income students,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the California Federation of Teachers support the principle of a 10.93% share of Prop. 98 funds for community colleges, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CFT notify, in writing, all legislators and the governor of the CFT's position supporting the community college share of Prop. 98 funds at the statutory level, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the CFT support the expansion of K-14 funding with the priority that additional funds be used first to provide a statutory split to community colleges.