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Members,

We would like to express our sincere thanks to the Governor, members of the JBC, Leadership and the General Assembly for your support of higher education in the FY 2018-19 budget proposal. The increase in operating funds is directly linked to limited tuition increases and improving affordability for students. The additional funding will enable us to keep tuition in check while advancing our work to provide an accessible and excellent education to Colorado's students.

We would also like to respectfully ask for your support of the proposal to invest an additional \$18 million in higher education to accelerate achievement of the goals set forth in the higher education Master Plan. Of the \$18 million about \$1.2 million was directed through the Long Bill in FY 2018-19 to Area Technical Colleges to address enrollment growth costs.

The proposal, Sponsored by Senator Gardner, Speaker Duran and Rep. Bridges, would advance state priorities relative to certificate and STEM credentials as well as Pell student success and support for rural four-year institutions. The Department is coordinating to ensure Master Plan alignment. The bill to allocate these funds will ensure accountability and clarity of purpose. All of the institutions listed on this letter support the attached allocation methodology. We are committed to working with you, your colleagues, the Department and the Colorado Commission on Higher Education to ensure this new source of ongoing funding supports meaningful progress on the CCHE Master Plan goals and advances student success.

Once again, thank you for your commitment to higher education. We are most grateful.

### Targeted Funding Proposal

\$ 3,738,040	Equal \$ amounts	Equal \$ amounts	Equal \$	New \$ Above Gov Request
	Adams	33	33.33%	\$ 1,246,013
	Western	33	33.33%	\$ 1,246,013
	FLC	33	33.33%	\$ 1,246,013
		100		\$ 3,738,039
\$ 3,738,040	4 years based on share of PELL COF Credit Hours (as used in 1319 FY 2016-17)	PELL Credit Hours	% Share of PELL	New \$ Above Gov Request
	Mesa	76,834	31.22%	\$ 1,167,073
	Metro	169,259	68.78%	\$ 2,570,967
		246,093		\$ 3,738,040
\$ 4,672,549	Research based on share of STEM Completions (as used in 1319 FY 2016-17)	STEM Degrees	% Share of STEM	New \$ Above Gov Request
	Minés	1,377	14.54%	\$ 679,491
	CSU	2,543	26.86%	\$ 1,254,862
	CU	4,997	52.77%	\$ 2,465,807
	UNC	552	5.83%	\$ 272,389
		9,469		\$ 4,672,549
\$ 4,672,549	Based on Certificate Recipients (CDHE SURDS Degrees Awarded FY 2016-17)	Certificates Recipients (over 1yr, less than 2yr)*	% Share Cert.	New \$ Above Gov Request
	CCCS	1,675	84.26%	\$ 3,936,881
+\$1,178,822	ATC	182	9.15%	\$ 1,606,591
	AIMS	93	4.68%	\$ 218,585
	CMC	38	1.91%	\$ -89,314
		1,988		\$ 5,851,371