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CALIFORNIA BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION (CBIA)

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## **CBIA Reacts to Governor's May Revise; Calls for Greater Commitment to Students and Families and Increased Investment to Address Housing Crisis**

SACRAMENTO – California Building Industry Association President and CEO Dan Dunmoyer issued the following statement in response to Governor Newsom's May Revise budget proposal:

"Public schools are cornerstones of every community. California's 10,000-plus public schools serve more than 6 million students in more than 300,000 classrooms. About 30 percent of schools were built more than 50 years ago and roughly 10 percent are more than 70 years old. Meanwhile, 38 percent of California students go to schools that do not meet the minimum facility standards.

"Our students deserve schools that meet basic health and safety standards. With an unfunded need of \$10 billion in critical repairs and projected requests for new school facilities, our state is long overdue to repair and upgrade aging schools. Modernized school facilities are needed to protect student health, and more new schools are needed to address student needs in growing communities. Investing in school facilities has an added economic benefit; for every billion dollars invested in new school construction and modernization work, 15,000 jobs are created.

"CBIA appreciates Governor Newsom's willingness to invest in families and communities, but California school children desperately need more. We urge the Governor to work with legislative leaders to meet the \$10 billion need for school facilities' upgrades and new school construction.

"We look forward to working with the Newsom administration and legislative leaders to ensure that this investment in school facilities is fully adequate to meet the pressing school facilities needs in California communities."

### **About the California Building Industry Association**

The [California Building Industry Association](#) is a statewide trade association based in Sacramento representing thousands of member companies including homebuilders, trade contractors, architects, engineers, designers, suppliers and industry professionals in the homebuilding, multi-family and mixed-use development markets.

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