CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS OF CALIFORNIA

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News Statement

Governor's Budget Proposal

SACRAMENTO – Today, Chief Mary Butler, President of the Chief Probation Officers of California (CPOC), issued the following statement in response to Governor Brown's State Budget Proposal:

"In this lean budget year, we appreciate Governor Brown continues to reflect his commitment to invest in Evidence Based Programming – a proven public safety strategy that protects our communities and reduces recidivism. Probation has a proven track record of judiciously investing resources in areas that have the greatest impact on reducing crime. With a careful balance of holding people accountable while providing proven rehabilitation programs, probation has been at the center of a shift in policy that is essential to the future success of California's public safety system.

California must conscientiously continue to invest in these proven programs in order to not break the continuity necessary to see durable and lasting impacts to reduce recidivism and protect our communities. We look forward to working with the Legislature and the Governor to ensure California safeguards these long-term viable solutions to public safety."

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