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California Community Colleges Chancellor Jack Scott Appoints Thomas Henry as Interim Special Trustee to Compton Community College District *Fiscal management expert returns to district to lead accreditation push*

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - California Community Colleges Chancellor Jack Scott today announced his appointment of fiscal management expert Thomas Henry as interim special trustee for the Compton Community College District (CCCD), citing his previous leadership at the district and successful accreditation track record elsewhere as keys to helping the CCCD regain its independence.

Henry served as special trustee to the CCCD from 2006 to 2007. He replaces Dr. Genethia Hudley-Hayes.

"I want to thank Dr. Hudley-Hayes for her service, and I am pleased that Tom Henry has agreed to return to service for the Compton Community College District," Chancellor Scott said. "His vast experience in fiscal matters and his familiarity with the district will be invaluable as the Compton Center continues to move toward accreditation as an independent college."

Henry recently served as special trustee at Solano Community College, which has been removed from all sanctions by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC). He currently serves as the special trustee for Lassen College, which also has been removed from ACCJC sanctions under his leadership. Henry is a former CEO of the Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, an organization that assists community college and K-12 districts fulfill their financial and management responsibilities.

"I look forward to returning to the Compton District," said Henry, whose appointment is effective immediately. "I know the progress that has been made at the Compton Center working with El Camino College, and I look forward to positioning the Compton District to support the academic programs and student services of the Center. I have great respect for the students, faculty, staff and community of Compton and I am confident that, collectively, we can continue to move toward accreditation as an independent college."

The [California Community Colleges](#) is the largest system of higher education in the nation. It is composed of 72 districts and 112 colleges serving 2.6 million students per year. Community colleges supply workforce training, basic skills courses in English and math, and prepare students for transfer to four-year colleges and universities. The Chancellor's Office provides leadership, advocacy and support under the direction of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

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