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**OFFICIAL COLLEGE STATEMENT**

December 12, 2017

**IN MEMORIAM:**

**MAYOR EDWIN M. LEE, 43<sup>rd</sup> Mayor of the City of San Francisco**

Dear City College Family:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the entire City College family, I report the very sad and shocking news that our Mayor Edwin Lee passed away suddenly last night at 1:11 am at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital. His family, friends and colleagues were at his side. Mayor Lee was 65.

We mourn this loss and send our heartfelt condolences to Mrs. Anita Lee and all of our colleagues in City Hall who served the Mayor and with whom we worked closely.

I have instructed that all college flags shall fly at half-mast in keeping with the City's official period of mourning.

We will continue with the college business today. This morning I will be at City Hall for a press conference at 10 am and related meetings. The President of the Board of Supervisors, London Breed, is now the Acting Mayor. I will be back on campus this afternoon and report further.

I was privileged to know Mayor Lee. He was a gentle and kind man with a ready sense of humor. He was also a strong supporter of City College and the importance of education. He was himself an attorney trained at Berkeley who began his career as a civil rights attorney. We best honor this good man by continuing our own work in the cause of social justice.

In sincere sympathy,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark W. Rocha".

Dr. Mark W. Rocha  
Chancellor City College of San Francisco

