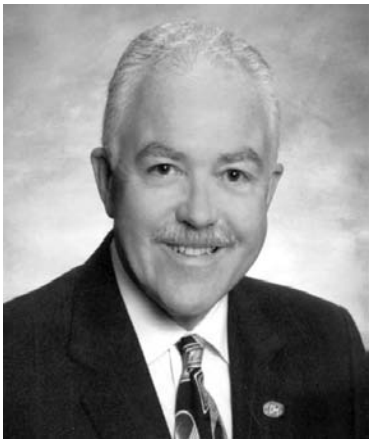

Community colleges have come to represent our country's single-most powerful mechanism for assuming access to economic opportunity. By strengthening these institutions, the fabric of our democracy can be protected for generations to come.

The leadership of each community college faces the daunting challenge of developing a comprehensive institutional strategic planning process that is responsive to the short-term and mid-term educational needs of our local communities. Such a plan must embrace and muster all resources available to promote the success of community college goals.

There are now three documents that comprise San Diego City College's Institutional Strategic Master Plan: the San Diego City College Educational Master Plan, the Facilities Master Plan, and the 2004 Accreditation Self Study report. They represent our effort to establish a comprehensive framework for meeting our community's needs. These documents represent our evaluation of and professional judgments regarding the current needs of the community we serve, our strategies for responding to these needs, and the mechanisms and timetables by which we will evaluate our performance.

The pages that follow contain the San Diego City College Facilities Master Plan. I am very proud of the broad-based campus participation, and all the hard work contributed by the faculty / staff, students, and greater community. As we approach our 100th year of service to the community, San Diego City College is well-guided by this Facilities Master Plan. The ambitious vision is supported by a sound framework for implementation, and it sets San Diego City College on a trajectory toward becoming a model for excellence among our nation's best community colleges.

Sincerely,

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