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## **California Taxpayers' Association Leader Welcomes Budget That Doesn't Add to Californians' Tax Bill**

SACRAMENTO – Teresa Casazza, acting president of the California Taxpayers' Association, today issued the following statement on Governor Schwarzenegger's budget proposal and special session:

“The governor has wisely avoided piling new taxes on Californians at a time when a record number of people are losing their homes because they don't have enough money to pay their existing bills.

“In poll after poll, and in election after election, Californians have made it crystal clear that they want lawmakers to budget existing revenues wisely, not take more money from taxpayers and their families.

“Governor Schwarzenegger is following the will of the people by sparing taxpayers and by addressing the real problem that has thrown the budget out of balance – growth without limits.

“California has a chronic budget problem. When the economy slows – as we are currently experiencing – it is time to limit the growth in spending and to find ways to improve productivity and efficiency with less revenue. When the economy rebounds, it is then time to set aside revenue for those rainy days ahead.”

The California Taxpayers' Association was established in 1926 to protect the rights of taxpayers and to advocate for greater efficiency in government.

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