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## **First 5 California Executive Director Camille Maben's Statement on Governor's January Budget Proposal**

**SACRAMENTO** – Camille Maben, Executive Director of First 5 California issued this statement today on Governor Gavin Newsom's January budget proposal:

"Today's Budget Proposal sets a bold vision and significant down payment for California's youngest children and their families. Paid family leave, health care, home visiting, pediatric screening, and high-quality early learning opportunities are key to Governor Newsom's comprehensive road map on how California can create a two-generational approach to raising strong and resilient children. We applaud Governor Newsom's leadership."

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### ***About First 5 California***

First 5 California was established in 1998 when voters passed Proposition 10, which taxes tobacco products to fund services for children ages 0 to 5 and their families. First 5 California programs and resources are designed to educate and support teachers, parents, and caregivers in the critical role they play during a child's first five years – to help California kids receive the best possible start in life and thrive. For more information, please visit [www.cfc.ca.gov](http://www.cfc.ca.gov).