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STATEMENT ON SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE SESSION ON HEALTH CARE FROM CAHP PRESIDENT AND CEO CHRIS OHMAN

SACRAMENTO -- California Association of Health Plans President and CEO Chris Ohman today issued the following statement regarding the Special Legislative Session on Health Care:

“The California Association of Health Plans applauds Governor Schwarzenegger for calling a special session on Health Care. Today’s health care system is broken and we recognize that all parties need to play a role in fixing it.

“We all want health care that keeps costs down and is affordable and available to all Californians. To get there, we need a realistic, evenhanded approach that examines all of the cost issues involved.

“Our industry is committed to working hard and collaborating with the Governor, Legislative leaders and others during this special session to achieve balanced health care reform that benefits all Californians.”

The California Association of Health Plans is a statewide trade association representing 40 Knox-Keene licensed health plans that provide health coverage to more than 21 million Californians. The Association's mission is to improve the health of California's communities by promoting the growth of health plans dedicated to providing high-quality, affordable, accessible health care to their members. For more information about CAHP please visit www.calhealthplans.com.

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