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Secretary David M. Lanier Issues Statement on March Jobs Numbers

SACRAMENTO – California Labor and Workforce Development Agency Secretary David M. Lanier today issued the following statement on the state's March unemployment rate dropping to the pre-recession low of 4.9 percent:

"California's unemployment rate has dropped to a level unseen in over a decade, and under Governor Brown's leadership, the state's businesses have added more than 2.3 million jobs. The remarkable progress in the rebounding of our economy is highlighted by 77 consecutive months of employment gains.

"However, as Governor Brown has noted, the next recession is inevitable. While today carries good news about our growth, we remain watchful for the next downturn and focused on expanding opportunities for good paying jobs."

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