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SAN DIEGO REGIONAL CHAMBER SIGNS LETTER URGING TRUMP ADMINISTRATION TO MODERNIZE NAFTA, “DO NO HARM”

SAN DIEGO (October 11, 2017) – The San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce joined more than 300 state and local business associations from across all 50 states in expressing its support for a modernized North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and urging the Trump administration to “do no harm” as negotiations continue.

In a [letter](#) sent to President Donald Trump, 314 state and local chambers of commerce reiterated the business community’s strong support for NAFTA and the millions of American jobs it supports.

“Business leaders across the country know first-hand that trade with Canada and Mexico has created American jobs, boosted economic growth, and strengthened local economies,” the letter reads. “But we know we can do even more to seize the benefits of trade with our North American neighbors.”

The message conveyed in the letter demonstrates a U.S. business community united in support of a constructive renegotiation process and a modernized NAFTA – and against continued threats of withdrawal from the agreement.

“San Diego has a thriving economy due in large part to effective trade agreements like NAFTA,” said Jerry Sanders, President and CEO of the San Diego Regional Chamber. “We support the President’s efforts to negotiate much needed updates to NAFTA. And, we urge the administration to avoid tactics that would damage a partnership that has created so much opportunity for our region.”

Members of the U.S. Congress also received copies of the letter, which is available online [here](#).

“We urge you to support America’s workers, farmers, ranchers, and businesses of all sizes by protecting and preserving the deep economic ties and benefits the United States continues to enjoy under NAFTA,” the letter concludes.

About The San Diego Regional Chamber

The San Diego Regional Chamber is the hub for connections and collaboration among the regional business community, and uses that clout to advocate for public policies and candidates that support economic growth and the creation of jobs for all businesses. As the largest Chamber on the West Coast, representing approximately 2,500 businesses and an estimated 300,000 jobs, the San Diego Regional Chamber is fighting to make San Diego the most business-friendly region in California. For more information, please visit SDChamber.org or call 619-544-1300.

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