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Chamber Statement on the San Diego City Council Minimum Wage Increase Vote

SAN DIEGO (September 16, 2025) – The San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce has issued the following statement regarding the San Diego City Council voting to pass a \$25 minimum wage for tourism-related jobs:

“We are deeply disappointed by today’s City Council vote to approve the \$25 minimum wage mandate. This shortsighted policy will drive up costs for businesses and families alike, adding to the already high cost of living in San Diego without addressing the region’s underlying affordability crisis,” **said San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce President and CEO, Chris Cate.** *“The San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce is, and will always remain, unapologetically pro-business. We will continue to advocate for policies that strengthen our economy, support local job creators, and make the San Diego region the best place to live and work.”*

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About the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce

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 local Chamber on the West Coast, representing more than 2,000 businesses and an estimated 300,000 jobs, the San Diego Regional Chamber is working to make the San Diego region the best place to live and work. For more information, please visit SDChamber.org or call 619-544-1300.