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## Greetings,

We are requesting to distribute attached letter from Assemblymember Alvarez to Mayor and Council regarding tomorrow's agenda item 8.1.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Lisa

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Mayor and Councilmembers City of Chula Vista 276 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Chula Vista, CA 91910

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

First, I would like to express my sincere regret for not being able to attend tomorrow's Chula Vista Council meeting due to legislative business in Sacramento. However, it is imperative that I express my strong support for Assembly Bill 2783, the San Diego Port of San Diego Reform and Accountability Act. I believe that this legislation is necessary for ensuring transparency, accountability, and effective governance within the Port of San Diego.

The Port of San Diego plays a vital role in our region's economy, environment, and community well-being. It facilitates trade, supports tourism, and serves as a hub for recreational activities. The Gaylord Pacific project is a shining example of a successful partnership with the City of Chula Vista that will have a tremendous economic impact and public benefit.

However, concerns raised regarding governance practices have highlighted the need for comprehensive reform to enhance public trust and confidence in the Port's operations. Assembly Bill 2783 addresses these concerns by implementing key reforms aimed at improving transparency, accountability, and oversight within the Port of San Diego. By establishing clear guidelines for ethical standards, this legislation will help prevent conflicts of interest and ensure that Port decisions are made in the best interest of the public.

In summary, AB 2783 represents a comprehensive approach to reforming the governance of the Port of San Diego while also prioritizing community needs and environmental stewardship. I wholeheartedly urge you to support this vital legislation. Please feel free to contact me for any questions or further dialogue on this bill.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



David Alvarez Assemblymember, 80<sup>th</sup> District