



August 23, 2026

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Support for Proposition 45

On behalf of the Malibu Pacific Palisades Chamber of Commerce, I write in support of Proposition 45, which would establish a more timely and predictable environmental review and permitting process for essential projects while maintaining environmental oversight under CEQA.

For communities like Malibu and Pacific Palisades—where rebuilding, infrastructure investment, housing production, and economic recovery depend on moving responsible projects forward—time and certainty matter. Lengthy and unpredictable review processes increase costs, discourage investment, and delay projects our communities urgently need.

Proposition 45 creates clearer application requirements, enforceable timelines for agency review and permitting, and a more focused process for resolving legal challenges. It does not eliminate CEQA review; it provides an optional, streamlined pathway for qualifying essential projects while preserving environmental protections.

Our communities have seen firsthand how procedural delays compound the challenges of recovery and rebuilding. California can protect its environmental values while ensuring that essential housing, infrastructure, healthcare, and other critical projects are not unnecessarily stalled.

For these reasons, the Malibu Pacific Palisades Chamber of Commerce supports Proposition 45 and urges a YES vote.

Sincerely,

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Chief Executive Officer

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