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Dear Mr. Howard and Mr. Evans,

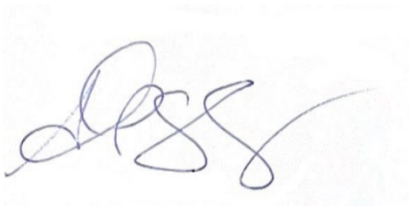
As an elected City of Chula Vista member, I endorse Sharp Chula Vista Hospital healthcare workers joining SEIU United Healthcare Workers West, mirroring their Sharp Grossmont peers. These workers highlight concerns over substandard wages and chronic understaffing affecting patient care and leading to burnout. They seek a stronger voice to advocate for necessary support and high-quality San Diego care.

A collaborative approach between labor and management heralds mutual benefits and tangible improvements in care quality and community health. Notably, SEIU-UHW and Sharp HealthCare's cooperation to boost Medi-Cal funding showcases the positive impacts of such partnerships.

It's concerning that Sharp Chula Vista's management has reportedly intimidated employees against unionizing, contrasting with 1,600 unionized counterparts at Sharp Grossmont and Sharp Hospice Care. It's crucial for management to honor employees' rights to unionize without fear of harassment.

I urge Sharp Chula Vista to halt any anti-union tactics and engage constructively with SEIU-UHW to foster better conditions for workers, patients, and the wider San Diego community.

Thank you,



Alonso Gonzalez
Deputy Mayor
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