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DA Joins Business Community at Upcoming Events to Educate About Prop 36

San Diego County District Attorney <u>Summer Stephan</u> said today she will be joining the business community at several community events over the next two months to educate business owners and the public about Proposition 36: *The Homelessness, Drug Addiction and Theft Reduction Act*, an initiative on the November ballot that would address the issue of repeat retail crime and fentanyl dealers, along with other related changes to the law. Knowledge is power and these events will provide an opportunity to learn about this initiative that Californians and San Diegans placed on the ballot through signature gathering.

In the first event on September 18, the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce is partnering with DA Stephan, Mayor Todd Gloria, the San Diego Downtown Partnership, and the Gaslamp Quarter Association to host the Prop 36 educational workshop. Organizers say participants will hear why Prop 36 is an important measure to consider for not just California, but also for San Diego's binational region.

Other forums are being co-organized by the Asian Business Association, Black Chamber of Commerce, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Young Black & N' Business, Oceanside Chamber of Commerce, Vista Chamber of Commerce, Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce, Encinitas Chamber of Commerce, San Marcos Chamber of Commerce, Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce, Chula Vista Chamber of Commerce, Otay Mesa Chamber of Commerce, National City Chamber of Commerce, East County Chamber of Commerce, La Mesa Chamber of Commerce, Lakeside Chamber of Commerce, Spring Valley Chamber of Commerce, Santee Chamber of Commerce and East County Economic Development Corporation.

The dates of the business-sponsored events are:

September 18: Downtown 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Gaslamp Marriott Hotel Registration (suggested) and more information can be <u>found here.</u>

September 26: North County 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 a.m.



Mira Costa College Registration (suggested) and more information can be <u>found here</u>.

October 3: South County 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Chula Vista Civic Center Library Auditorium

October 10: East County Event 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Virtual on Zoom – Details to be posted here.

Media is welcome to attend any of the events.

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About the San Diego County District Attorney's Office

The San Diego County DA's Office prosecutes all felony crimes in the county and misdemeanor crimes committed outside the City of San Diego. The office files about 40,000 criminal cases a year and balances prosecution with numerous crime prevention programs. District Attorney Summer Stephan leads the office of more than 1,000 dedicated employees who pursue fair and equal justice, and support victims daily across San Diego County.

