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CHAMBER'S "LEGISLATIVE LOUNGE" MIXES HUMOR & ACCOLADES

Annual awards reception recognizes work of elected officials and staff

SAN DIEGO (Nov. 8, 2018) – The San Diego Regional Chamber capped off election week with a bit of humor Thursday evening at the organization's annual "Legislative Lounge" event. The light-hearted awards ceremony honors, and pokes a little fun at, San Diego's public officials and staff members. Six individuals from across the county were recognized for their hard work to make San Diego County a great place to live, work, and play.

"Being an elected official or an elected's staff member is no easy job, so we like to take the time each year to say thank you. Thank you for putting in the hard work to make San Diego a place where businesses succeed and grow and neighborhoods thrive," said Jerry Sanders, Chamber President and CEO.

A crowd of over 200 business and community leaders were in attendance to celebrate the winners at the Oxford Social Club in downtown San Diego. They were joined by San Diego Mayor Kevin L. Faulconer who delivered his comedic take on Tuesday night's election results.

Each Legislative Lounge winner was presented with a personalized caricature as their commemorative award. This year's Legislative Lounge awards are ([click award winner's name to view caricature](#)):

- "Rainmaker" – [Congressmember Juan Vargas](#), 51st Congressional District of California
- "Bridge Builder"- [Mayor of Mexicali Gustavo Sanchez](#)
- "Staffer Who Gets \$#!t Done" – [MaryAnne Pintar](#), Office of Congressman Scott Peters
- "Up & Comer " – [Poway City Councilmember Caylin Frank](#)

- **“Jack of Many Trades”** – [Marshall Anderson](#), Office of County Supervisor Greg Cox
- **“Twofer”** – [Dominika Bukalova](#), Office of San Diego City Councilmember Georgette Gomez

For highlights from the 2018 Legislative Lounge, search the hashtag #LegLounge18 on social media.

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 approximately 2,500 businesses and an estimated 300,000 jobs, the San Diego Regional Chamber is fighting to make San Diego the most business-friendly region in California. For more information, please visit SDChamber.org or call 619-544-1300.

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