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CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE

July 31, 2008

To: Mayor Chuck Reed and San Jose City Council
200 E. Santa Clara Street
San Jose, CA 95113

RE: Historic San Jose Clock Tower Reconstruction

Dear Mayor Reed and City Council Members:

On behalf of the San Jose Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce (SJSVCC), I am writing to register support for completion of the San Jose Clock Tower.

There are several reasons why the SJSVCC supports the Clock Tower reconstruction. First, the clock tower is a registered landmark that San Jose should embrace with civic pride. Second, the tower has a very rare and unique mechanical clock that is emblematic of early technology in the Capitol of Silicon Valley. Third, a restored tower with a properly functioning clock and bell will greatly enhance the downtown experience. Finally, by completing a project that began 100 years ago San Jose will demonstrate to the community and its visitors that it cares about its past as well as its future.

The San Jose Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce is pleased to support the clock tower reconstruction and recommends that the City Council move forward in the completion of this historical and architecturally significant landmark.

Sincerely,

Thank for your consideration.

Pat Dando, President/CEO
San Jose Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce