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My name is Destiny Cuevas, I am 28 years old and I was born and raised here on the central coast. I have had the privilege to call anywhere from the Cuyama Valley, to Paso Robles my home. I've lived here long enough to witness a remarkable transformation. I remember when Lompoc was often dismissed as a dangerous or forgotten town—a place people passed through rather than stayed, especially as a little girl. But over the years, I've watched it change into something truly special.

Today, Lompoc is a town where community and connection flourish. We've seen local businesses bloom, families put down roots, and events that bring people together in ways we couldn't have imagined before. And through so much of that progress, the Lompoc Chamber of Commerce has been a steady and vital force.

The Chamber is more than an institution—it's a symbol of what's possible when local businesses, leaders, and citizens come together to support each other. It provides visibility, guidance, advocacy, and encouragement to the very people who make this city thrive.

Closing the Chamber's doors would not simply mark the end of a building or an organization—it would send a message that the collaborative spirit we've worked so hard to build is no longer worth investing in. And I don't believe that's true.

Now more than ever, we need organizations that promote unity, economic resilience, and civic pride. We need the Chamber. Not just for the past it represents, but for the future it can help us create.

I urge you to consider the ripple effect this closure would have—and to fight for the community we've all worked so hard to nurture.

Thank you.