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BUILDING TRADES STATEMENT ON PHILLIPS 66 CLOSURE

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LOS ANGELES, Oct. 18, 2024—Ernesto Medrano, Executive Secretary of the LA/Orange Counties Building Construction Trades Council, gives this statement:

“The closure of the Phillips 66 refineries in Carson and Wilmington will directly affect Building Trades jobs. Our skilled and trained members are the majority of the refinery workforce.

“The Building Trades are in active discussion with Phillips 66 about the next steps. Our goal is to have as clear a timetable as possible on the shutdown. The refineries’ decommissioning process will be performed by our members under a Project Labor Agreement with the Building Trades, as per the requirements of SB 54.

“The Building Trades support an ‘all of the above’ energy policy that retains the use of fossil fuels alongside renewables. We will continue to be the skilled and trained workforce in California refineries.

“Union jobs and union families will always be our top priority. Phillips 66 has announced plans to redevelop the Carson and Wilmington sites, and we have every intention to be at the table for those decisions. The working families of the South Bay and the greater LA/Orange County area must participate as stakeholders in determining future uses of these sites.”

About the Los Angeles/Orange Counties Building and Construction Trades Council: The Council represents 160,000 skilled members of 48 local unions and district councils in 14 Trades. It negotiates agreements for collective bargaining standards and union representation for public and private projects.