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### **Ironworkers Local 229 invests in new training center**

SAN DIEGO (Oct. 21, 2015) – Ironworkers invested about \$7 million to build a state-of-the-art training center to continue to develop a highly skilled workforce essential for building our communities – from bridges and roads, to skyscrapers, hospitals and solar fields. This comes at a time when these jobs are showing higher-than-average demand.

Ironworker jobs are projected to grow 22 percent by 2022, which is faster than the average for all occupations, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Nationally, wages for ironworkers are about 32 percent higher than the median for all jobs. San Diego Ironworkers will be providing tours of the new facility and offering a demonstration of the training offered.

**WHAT:** Beam cutting, welding demonstration and proclamation by City Councilor Marti Emerald at the new San Diego Ironworkers Apprenticeship and Training Center

**WHEN:** 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27

**WHERE:** 3888 Beech St., San Diego

Local 229, chartered in 1918, represents more than 1,300 highly skilled ironworkers in San Diego and Imperial counties and nearby areas. Local 229 and its partner contractors are committed to creating the best-trained and safest ironworkers in the industry by investing in a world-class apprenticeship program, continuing education and safety training.

More information about Local 229: [www.local229.org](http://www.local229.org)

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