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Irwin and Joan Jacobs' bet has proven foundational. The Jacobs School continues to increase positive impact through breakthrough research, discoveries translated to society, and engineering and computer science students who become the innovation workforce the nation needs.

"We came here in 1966 when the only buildings were Revelle buildings, so my o ice was in Urey Hall for the first few years," said Irwin Jacobs. "I didn't come into an engineering

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We are giving thanks and celebrating what happened 25 years ago," said Albert P. Pisano, dean of the UC San Diego Jacobs School of Engineering. "But we are also looking forward. The next 25 years are going to be a very exciting time. We are going to need students trained in engineering and computer science working for the public good more than ever before. We are going to need to innovate to solve the biggest challenges the world has. We are going to look ahead, drive our missions in education, research and technology transfer in order to have bigger impacts.

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The Jacobs
School has
arrived. But
it is not yet
done rising."

Bob Dynes, president emeritus of the University of California and chancellor of UC San Diego when the engineering school became the Irwin and Joan Jacobs School of Engineering, recalled his surprise that engineering at UC San Diego was only a division, not a school, when he arrived to the campus from Bell Laboratories in 1990. In 1992, the division did become a school of engineering, but something was still lacking.

"The name UCSD School of Engineering – it was a school now, but it didn't quite have the panache that a leading school in the top 10 should

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have," said Dynes. "A world-class university with the UCSD School of Engineering — ehhh. It needed a distinguished and recognizable name."

Shortly after this very naming happened, Dynes recalled spotting Irwin and Joan walking hand-in-hand on campus early one Saturday morning to see the new name of the school up on Engineering Building Unit 1 (EBU1).

"At that moment I knew that engineering was on its way," said Dynes.
"It wasn't a doubt anymore, with that kind of passion from these leaders in this community, I knew we were on

our way to being the world's best. Twenty-five years later,

and wow, look at what is here now. If I knew then what I know now, I wouldn't have believed it. So I have no idea what we're going to look like 25

The Jacobs School of Engineering is now home to nearly 300 faculty across six academic departments, focused on developing and implementing engaging engineering and computer science curriculum at scale, driving research advances for the public good, and translating innovation to society.

One of those early influential faculty members was Jan Talbot, a chemical engineer who joined the Aeronautical and Mechanical Engineering Sciences (AMES) department in 1986, and

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