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Ohio Chamber Names Sen. Michele Reynolds 2025 Legislator of the Year

COLUMBUS, OHIO – The Ohio Chamber of Commerce presented its 2025 Legislator of the Year awards at its annual Policy Conference, which took place from September 3-5 at Sawmill Creek Resort. The Policy Conference allows Ohio Chamber members and elected officials an opportunity to network and discuss legislative priorities for the remainder of the current General Assembly.

The Legislator of the Year awards recognize state lawmakers who have demonstrated outstanding leadership, a strong commitment to pro-business policies and a consistent record of supporting legislation that improves Ohio's business climate. They were presented on Wednesday evening by Ohio Chamber SVP of Government Affairs Rick Carfagna.

State Senator Michele Reynolds was recognized as the 2025 Senate Majority Caucus Legislator of the Year. Sen. Reynolds represents Madison and Pickaway counties and parts of Franklin County, including numerous townships and portions of Columbus. While this is her first term in the Senate, she is a third-generation business owner and nonprofit CEO.

"Senator Reynolds has proven to be a tireless advocate for Ohio's employers and workforce," said Steve Stivers, President and CEO of the Ohio Chamber of Commerce. "Her leadership on critical issues like childcare, housing, and access to healthcare demonstrates her deep understanding of the challenges facing businesses and communities across our state. We are proud to recognize her with this award."

Throughout her time in office, Sen. Reynolds has had a significant influence on economic development. As a member of the Senate Select Committee on Housing, she has helped shape policy that encourages housing revitalization and strengthens Ohio's housing stock.

She also sponsored Senate Bill 273 to create the Child Care Cred Program, making childcare more affordable and accessible, and Senate Bill 95, which expanded Ohioans' access to pharmacists and pharmacies.

Sen. Reynolds has repeatedly shown determination to address the issues impacting Ohio's employers and workforce, and the Chamber was proud to honor her leadership and commitment with this award.

The Ohio Chamber is the state's leading business advocate and represents thousands of companies that do business in Ohio. Our mission is to aggressively champion free enterprise, economic competitiveness and growth for the benefit of all Ohioans.

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