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Ohio Chamber of Commerce PAC Endorses Vivek Ramaswamy in the 2026 Gubernatorial Primary Election

COLUMBUS, OHIO – The Ohio Chamber of Commerce Political Action Committee (OCCPAC) today announced its endorsement of Vivek Ramaswamy for governor in the 2026 Republican primary election.

As the founder of four successful companies, Ramaswamy understands what business owners need to succeed in today's economic climate. As governor, his policies would support Ohio employers and aim to make Ohio the best state in the nation to live, work and do business.

"Vivek Ramaswamy is the gubernatorial candidate that Ohio needs," said Ohio Chamber President & CEO Steve Stivers. "His impressive entrepreneurial background has allowed him to experience firsthand the unnecessary burdens that are placed upon business owners, and he will work each day to eliminate them so that Ohio's economy and residents can continue to thrive."

Notably, this is OCCPAC's earliest recorded candidate endorsement, which underscores the strength of Ramaswamy's candidacy and demonstrates the business community's confidence in his ability to lead. With so much at stake for Ohio's economic future, OCCPAC believes that it is critical to support a candidate who demonstrates a clear, proactive vision for growth and prosperity.

Ramaswamy strongly embraces capitalism and will work to make Ohio a more competitive state, objectives that align closely with the Ohio Chamber's own mission statement.

Three of Ramaswamy's top priorities for improvement include population decline, inadequate energy generation and gaps in the educational system, which are all significant barriers to a thriving Ohio workforce.

Ramaswamy also plans to heavily market Ohio to the country and to the world, which will help the state to attract new visitors, residents and businesses.

OCCPAC utilizes a member-driven approach to endorsing candidates for elected office in Ohio, which entails a robust process that analyzes policy positions and highlights expertise on various issues. Each endorsed candidate has actively sought the OCCPAC endorsement.

Created in 1978, OCCPAC exists to unify and strengthen the voice of business in Ohio politics.

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