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OHCEF APPLAUDS PRESIDENTIAL SPEECH ON ENERGY & THE ENVIRONMENT

Trump focuses on harnessing innovation to promote a strong economy and strong environment.

COLUMBUS, OH --- The Ohio Conservative Energy Forum (OHCEF) applauds President Donald Trump address yesterday regarding innovative solutions to protect America’s environment. We wholeheartedly agree that, as President Trump said, “we must preserve our country’s incredible natural splendor — that is the shared obligation that brings us together”.

Throughout the address, **the President championed new, free market, innovative solutions that will lead to cleaner energy and a cleaner environment.** As President Trump stated, “When we innovate, produce, and grow, we’re able to unleash technologies and processes that make the environment better.” OHCEF could not agree more with the President.

“Conservative leadership from both President Trump and Governor DeWine has produced record economic growth in Ohio and the United States,” said OHCEF Executive Director Tyler Duvelius. “Clean energy jobs are helping lead this economic renaissance.” Six million new jobs have been created under President Trump. There are over 112,000 Ohioans employed by new jobs in the clean energy industry. **Nearly 13,000 Ohio veterans have clean energy jobs and the industry has grown by more than 5% in the last year.** Sound, free market policies will allow this emerging industry to continue to flourish.

President Trump also signaled his support for renewable energy – particularly solar energy. In a recent poll commissioned by OHCEF and conducted by Public Opinion Strategies, **84 percent of Ohio conservatives want to see more renewable energy in Ohio.** More than 3 in 4 conservatives support fixing government regulations, like the current wind setback, to allow free market energy innovation in Ohio. Net metering policies were also of top concern for poll respondents.

Ohio conservative voters want to hear about clean energy on the campaign trail. **63 percent of Ohio conservatives would be more likely to support a candidate who encourages “increased energy efficiency and renewable energy.”** It is important to note that President Trump had an 81 percent favorability rating in the OHCEF poll.

As the President promised, “we will defend the environment, but we will also defend American sovereignty, American prosperity, and we will defend American jobs.” OHCEF is ready to help.

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Founded in 2015, the Ohio Conservative Energy Forum exists to provide a vehicle for individuals, organizations, and businesses to join the conservative conversation about Ohio’s energy future.

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