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Dave O'Neil Joins Ohio Manufacturers' Association as Director of Communications and Marketing

COLUMBUS, Ohio – The Ohio Manufacturers' Association (OMA) today announced the appointment of Dave O'Neil as its new Director of Communications and Marketing. In this role, O'Neil will serve as the primary media contact and lead strategic efforts to amplify member success stories and highlight the vital role manufacturing plays in Ohio's economy.

A native of Youngstown, O'Neil brings more than 16 years of experience in public service and communications. He most recently served as the grant writer for the Ohio Attorney General's Office and previously held the position of Director of Communications for the Franklin County Auditor's Office. O'Neil also served as Deputy Press Secretary for the 2016 Republican National Convention in Cleveland. Earlier in his career, he worked as a journalist with reporting roles at the *Ashland Times-Gazette*, *Key West Citizen* and *Columbus Dispatch*.

O'Neil earned a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism from The Ohio State University.

"Dave has spent the past two decades collaborating with media professionals across Ohio and the country," said OMA President Ryan Augsburger. "His experience and communications acumen will help us elevate the voices of our members and reinforce manufacturing as the cornerstone of Ohio's economic strength and identity."

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The Ohio Manufacturers' Association is Ohio's largest statewide business association comprised solely of manufacturers. Established in 1910, the OMA's mission is to protect and grow Ohio manufacturing. It represents manufacturers of all sizes in every subsector of the industry. Manufacturing is Ohio's largest economic sector, employing approximately 690,000 Ohioans and contributing more than \$133 billion annually to the economy.

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