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**Lima/Allen County Chamber of Commerce Recognized for Advocacy Efforts**

Columbus, OH – On Tuesday, May 2, the Ohio Chamber’s Chamber Action Alliance (CAA) awarded the Lima/Allen Chamber of Commerce the 2017 Best Advocacy Campaign Award for its extraordinary efforts and commitment to promoting voter education during the 2016 election cycle. The Chamber worked with the Lima Young Professionals to encourage people to register to vote, learn about the people and issues on the ballot and then to take the time to vote.

The CAA is the state-wide grassroots advocacy coalition of Ohio chambers of commerce coordinated by the Ohio Chamber. The CAA determines state-wide policy issues facing the business community, educates and empowers pro-businesses advocates to take action, and champions a business-friendly climate throughout the state of Ohio. Every year the CAA selects one local chamber that has done outstanding work on a single issue to recognize.

“Under the leadership of President Jed Metzger, the Lima/Allen County Chamber of Commerce has continued to expand its efforts to better educate the voters of Northwest Ohio on candidates and issues impacting Ohio’s business climate,” said the Ohio Chamber’s Director of Political Programs Rich Thompson. “The Lima/Allen Chamber County is a leader in Ohio in issue advocacy.”

Senator Matt Huffman and Representative Bob Cupp presented commendations to honor the Lima/Allen County Chamber for its efforts and winning the Best Advocacy Campaign Award.

The Ohio Chamber of Commerce is a champion for Ohio businesses so that our state enjoys economic growth and prosperity. With over 8,000 members, we have been Ohio’s premiere business advocate since 1893.

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