Pro-Jobs Candidates Endorsed by BIPAC Action Fund

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WASHINGTON DC – Today, the Business-Industry Political Action Committee’s Action Fund has announced the endorsement of six additional U.S. House of Representatives candidates running for election in 2016. They join the five U.S. Senate candidates and eight other U.S. House candidates already endorsed by the BIPAC Action Fund in this cycle.

The new U.S. House candidates receiving endorsements are:

- Rod Blum (R-IA 1)
- Jeff Denham (R-CA 10)
- Steve Knight (R-CA 25)
- Lloyd Smucker (R-PA 16)
- David Valadao (R-CA 21)
- David Young (R-IA 3)

Each have been identified by BIPAC members, state, and local employers and business organizations as being the strongest advocates for advancing private sector job creation and increasing America’s economy based on their federal and state voting records, as-well-as their stated policy positions.

“As a former Member of the U.S. Congress for twelve years and a state legislator prior to then, I recognize that these legislators demonstrate what is necessary to help job creators do what they do best – grow their businesses and provide value to their customers,” said BIPAC President and Chief Executive Officer Jim Gerlach. “The California, Iowa, Pennsylvania, and our nation’s economies will be best served by these legislators being elected into the 115th Congress” continued Gerlach.

The previously announced endorsed candidates for this cycle are:

U.S.Senate:

- Richard Burr (R-NC)
- Mark Kirk (R-IL)
Rob Portman (R-OH)  
Pat Toomey (R-PA)  
Todd Young (R-IN)  

U.S. House:  

- Mike Bost (R-IL 12)  
- Ryan Costello (R-PA 6)  
- Rodney Davis (R-IL 13)  
- Bob Dold (R-IL 10)  
- Will Hurd (R-TX 23)  
- Pat Meehan (R-PA 7)  
- Martha Roby (R-AL 1)  
- Bill Shuster (R-PA 9)  

Additional endorsements will be made for upcoming primary and general races once a broad consensus amongst BIPAC, its members, and its partners is met. Several Democratic candidates are currently being vetted for endorsement.

Candidates endorsed by the Action Fund have been recommended and vetted by a non-partisan volunteer committee of BIPAC members representing a cross-section of business industries.

As a result of the endorsement, BIPAC’s Action Fund will make a contribution to each candidate’s campaign. The endorsement will also be communicated to hundreds of corporations and business trade associations’ PACs across numerous industries.

BIPAC was founded in 1963 as a non-partisan coalition and is dedicated to increasing the political effectiveness of America’s business community. The Action Fund, the non-connected political action committee of BIPAC, helps elect candidates to the U.S. Congress with a demonstrated record of supporting economic growth and job creation.

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**About BIPAC**

The Business-Industry Political Action Committee was founded in 1963. Through its Political Action Fund it works to elect pro-business candidates to Congress. BIPAC’s Business Institute for Political Analysis carries out extensive programs of political analysis, research and communications on campaigns and elections, and fosters business participation in the political process. Learn more at [www.bipacaction.org](http://www.bipacaction.org).