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SELECTION OF OHIO LT. GOVERNOR TO LEAD OFFICE OF WORKFORCE TRANSFORMATION SENDS POWERFUL MESSAGE OHIO COMMUNITY COLLEGES OFFER PRAISE OF DECISION

COLUMBUS, OH –Jack Hershey, president and CEO of the Ohio Association of Community Colleges (OACC), offered the following statement in response to the selection of Lt. Governor Jon Husted as leader of the Office of Workforce Transformation.

"With the increased focus on the need to align education and skills training with our state's workforce needs, the selection of Lt. Governor Jon Husted to lead the Office of Workforce Transformation sends a strong message to education and business leaders that workforce development will be among the very top priorities of the DeWine Administration.

The Lt. Governor's experience and commitment to economic development makes him uniquely qualified for this role and we applaud Governor Mike DeWine for ensuring that Ohio remains laser-focused on meeting the workforce needs of our employers. Ohio's community colleges look forward to being key partners in helping advance the DeWine-Husted Administration's vision."

The OACC, representing the presidents and trustees of Ohio's 23 public two-year institutions of higher education, works to advance our community colleges through policy advocacy and professional development. For more information, please visit www.ohioCommunitycolleges.org.

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