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NAPEO President and CEO Issues Statement on Andrew Puzder's Nomination to Serve as Next Labor Secretary

PEO Industry Advocate Congratulates CKE Restaurants CEO's Nomination

Alexandria, Virginia (December 12, 2016)— The president and CEO of the National Association of Professional Employer Associations (NAPEO), Pat Cleary, issued the following statement on President-elect Trump's selection of Andrew Puzder to serve as the next U.S. Secretary of Labor:

"On behalf of NAPEO's membership, I congratulate Secretary-designate Puzder on his nomination to lead the U.S. Department of Labor. As CEO of CKE Restaurants, Mr. Puzder's private sector experience brings a keen understanding of how government regulations impact businesses and workers," said Cleary. "His experience in the franchise industry – where professional employer organizations (PEOs) have a large footprint – is welcome as well. In representing nearly 300 PEOs who handle tax administration, benefits, payroll, and regulatory compliance for their clients, NAPEO looks forward to working with Mr. Puzder on issues important to the PEO industry and to small business."

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The National Association of Professional Employer Organizations (NAPEO) is The Voice of the PEO Industry™ and represents about 85 percent of the industry's estimated \$136-\$152 billion in gross revenues. PEOs provide payroll, benefits, and other HR services to small and mid-sized businesses. NAPEO has 300 PEO members that provide services to between 156,000 to 180,000 businesses employing 2.7 and 3.4 million people. An additional 200 providers of services to the PEO industry are associate members of NAPEO. For more information, please visit www.napeo.org.