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AAHOA Statement on the Nomination of Andy Puzder as Labor Secretary

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Asian American Hotel Owners Association president and CEO Chip Rogers applauded President-elect Donald J. Trump's nomination of Andy Puzder as the secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor today.

"The nomination of Andy Puzder to lead the Labor Department is an excellent choice by President-elect Trump," said Rogers. "As the largest association of hotel owners in the world, the vast majority of which are franchise owners, we are thrilled to have someone with such a deep understanding of the positive role franchising has had on small business entrepreneurship in America. We look forward to working with him and the team the administration puts into place in the department to rework and repeal job-killing rules and regulations."

Puzder is the CEO of CKE Restaurants which runs the restaurant franchise Carl's Jr. and Hardee's.

Founded in 1989, AAHOA (www.aahoa.com) is the largest hotel owners association in the world, with more than 16,000 small business owner-members. AAHOA members own almost one in every two hotels in the United States.

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