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Another Loss For Governor Kate Brown as Manufacturer Moves Oregon Jobs To China Oregon GOP Chair Points to Governor's Unfriendly Business Policies, Obsession with Trump

**Wilsonville, OR** – Thanks to Democrat governor Kate Brown's job-killing policies, manufacturers are leaving Oregon for China, and taking their high-paying jobs with them. Last week Microsoft announced it will be closing its factory in Wilsonville and laying off over one hundred employees so it can move more production activities to China.

Under Kate Brown, Oregon continues to fall further behind, <u>receiving</u> a bottom ten ranking for business this year as the state hemorrhages the very high-paying jobs she has claimed her policies would attract.

## The Oregonian reports:

"The tech giant stamped, 'Manufactured in Portland, OR, USA' on each Surface Hub it made there. It invited The New York Times and Fast Company magazine to tour the plant in 2015, then hired more than 100 people to make the enormous, \$22,000 touch-screen computer.

But last week Microsoft summoned its Wilsonville employees to an early-morning meeting and announced it will close the factory and lay off 124 employees - nearly everyone at the site - plus dozens of contract workers...

Though workers present say he didn't disclose the location, Microsoft has previously said it makes its other Surface computers in China."

"Despite appeals from businesses large and small that it's time for Oregon to dump the unfriendly business policies, increased regulations, and the constant threat of higher taxes, Governor Brown forges ahead with her damaging agenda focused on her 'War on Trump'," stated Oregon GOP Chairman Bill Currier.

"When combined with Kate Brown's failure to address, much less solve, the big fiscal, educational, and law enforcement issues that our state faces and that voters care about," said Currier, "It becomes clear that Oregon needs new leadership in 2018."

The Oregon Republican Party is the state's arm of the Republican National Committee. Its Chairman and officers are dedicated to promoting Republican principles within the state of Oregon and to improving the lives and livelihoods of Oregon's working families through economic freedom and equal protection under the law.

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