

State Legislative Candidates – House District 106 – Cam Cavitt

1. Why are you interested in serving the people, families, and businesses in northern Michigan?

When our Northern Michigan businesses thrive, so do our most important units: families and the individuals. When we unleash the full potential of Michigan commerce, our communities and entire state experience those socioeconomic benefits.

2. How will you use your role to support the economic vitality of our region?

I will fight to put Northern Michigan first again, led by our economic needs, by getting the government off the backs of our businesses and allowing them the flexibility to function in their own best interests instead of being micromanaged by a distant Lansing politician.

3. Do you believe local government should have broad authority to regulate short-term rentals?

No, we have to make Northern Michigan more attractive and conducive to businesses. Keeping the local, state, and federal government's regulatory roles to a minimum and limited scope is best.

4. How would you address the shortage of skilled labor in northern Michigan?

We need a talent pipeline that encourages our high schoolers to take a vocational and alternative route to the workforce, one other than the 4-year prescription that's often forced upon them. Programs like GoPro should receive increased funds to perform this task and connect skilled workers and young talent with our businesses.

5. How would you prioritize leftover funds from federal aid packages and surplus dollars in the state's general fund?

Our COVID relief dollars and other surplus funds should go toward paying down our debt, thus making Michigan more economically sound and attractive for businesses.

6. The availability of housing is a barrier to business growth and talent attraction in our region. How do you intend to address the affordable housing shortage?

Scaling back government involvement in the housing market is the first step to making it more affordable. Reducing regulations and taxes will also serve to lower the financial hurdles for expansion and development.

7. Many families struggle to secure quality child care. This can be a barrier to attracting talent and keeping people in or bringing people back into the workforce. How will you work to increase access to affordable and quality child care?

Quality childcare is vital to workforce talent recruitment and retention, but new one-size-fits-all government subsidies are not the way to make it more affordable. We must instead give parents greater options and ability to use existing childcare credits and subsidies at a place of their choosing.

8. What are your solutions for supporting businesses being affected directly by inflation and supply chain costs?

The most important step to helping our businesses and families impacted by rising inflation and supply chain costs is not to raise, but to lower taxes. We also must stop the out-of-control government spending which is adding to our debt and crushing businesses who have to foot the bill.