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## **REP. PAUL RYAN HONORED FOR SUPPORTING THE MANUFACTURING AGENDA**

### **NAM Says Votes Vital to Economic Growth and Job Creation**

**Kenosha, Wis. – March 9, 2009** – Rep. Paul Ryan (R-WI) received the *National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) Award for Manufacturing Legislative Excellence* today at an award event hosted by Snap-on Incorporated (NYSE: SNA) in Kenosha, Wisconsin. The *NAM Award* honors federal lawmakers whose voting records have consistently supported manufacturing in America.

Nicholas T. Pinchuk, president and chief executive officer, Snap-on Incorporated, presented the *NAM Award* to Rep. Ryan.

“We are grateful for Representative Ryan’s dedicated efforts to preserve manufacturing jobs and assure competitiveness in Wisconsin and across this nation,” Pinchuk said. “He has been a dependable voice of support for manufacturers and their employees.”

“Representative Ryan has demonstrated a true understanding of manufacturing’s key role in the strength of the American economy and has acted to maintain and create manufacturing jobs,” said NAM president and chief executive officer John Engler from Washington, D.C.

The *NAM Award* is given to members of the House of Representatives and Senate who support key manufacturing votes 70 percent or more of the time, as determined by an advisory committee composed of NAM members from small and large manufacturers.

Rep. Ryan’s NAM voting record was 80 percent in the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress. He was one of 43 senators and 181 representatives who earned the *NAM Award*. Members of Congress are notified in advance when an upcoming vote has been designated a “key vote” by the NAM.

“The *NAM Award* is a nonpartisan indicator to help manufacturers and their employees sort out the true allies of manufacturing based on their votes on key issues that affect the manufacturing economy,” Engler noted.

Voting records for members of Congress -- including those who scored 70 percent or better to earn the *NAM Award* -- are available at [www.nam.org/votingrecord](http://www.nam.org/votingrecord) with further details about the NAM Key Manufacturing Votes.

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