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NORTHERN MICHIGAN CHAMBER ALLIANCE

The Northern Michigan Chamber Alliance is a coalition of 16 chambers and economic development organizations from across northern Michigan. The Alliance partnership works from the premise that many legislative issues impact the U.P. and northern Lower Peninsula in similar ways. Our coalition exists to advocate for rural northern Michigan and move forward rural-centric business policy. Focus is given to supporting the success of existing northern Michigan businesses, developing and attracting a talented workforce in northern Michigan, and maximizing the competitiveness of the rural northern Michigan business environment. The Alliance includes nine Partners, seven Associate Partners, and over 7,000 member businesses from across northern Michigan.

Elevating & Advancing Local Business

ALLIANCE MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

PARTNERS

Alpena Area
Chamber of
Commerce

Benzie Area
Chamber of
Commerce

Cadillac Area
Chamber of
Commerce

Charlevoix Area
Chamber of
Commerce

Gaylord Area
Chamber of
Commerce

Lake Superior
Community
Partnership

Manistee Area
Chamber of
Commerce

The Petoskey
Chamber of
Commerce

Traverse
Connect

ASSOCIATE PARTNERS

Boyne Area
Chamber of
Commerce

Cheboygan Area
Chamber of
Commerce

East Jordan
Chamber of
Commerce

Elk Rapids
Chamber of
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Harbor Springs
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Leelanau
Peninsula
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Sault Area
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2023 NORTHERN MICHIGAN POLICY CONFERENCE

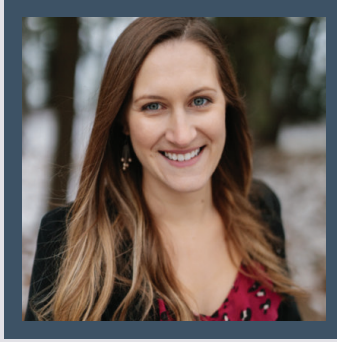
The Northern Michigan Policy Conference is a regional economic development conference led by the Northern Michigan Chamber Alliance. The Alliance is a coalition of 16 chambers and economic development organizations and over 7,000 member businesses from all across northern Michigan. The partnership exists to advocate for rural northern Michigan and move forward rural-centric business policy.

Now in its fifth year as a policy conference after serving as the Alliance's annual agenda-setting meeting for years, the Northern Michigan Policy Conference is designed to leverage diverse strategies to enhance the northern Michigan region's standing as a world-class place for business, residents, visitors, and students of all ages. This year's policy conference will be a collaborative, business-driven experience delivering actionable goals to energize and provide vision.

SCHEDULE

8:15 AM	Registration Opens
9:00 AM	Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sarah Van Horn, Northern Michigan Chamber Alliance• Doug DeYoung, Consumers Energy• TBA, Enbridge
9:15 AM	Northern Michigan Chamber Alliance Legislative Update
9:40 AM	Remarks from Federal Legislators <ul style="list-style-type: none">• U.S. Senator Gary Peters• U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow• U.S. Representative John Moolenaar• U.S. Representative Jack Bergman Remarks from Michigan House Speaker <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Representative Joe Tate
10:00 AM	Northern Caucus Panel
11:00 AM	Lunch and Networking
11:45 AM	Broadband and Infrastructure Panel
12:45 PM	Keynote Speaker <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lt. Governor Garlin Gilchrist II
1:20	Closing Remarks
1:30 PM	Adjourned

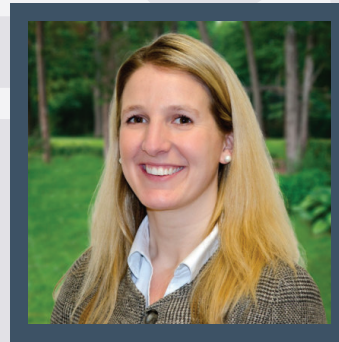
OPENING REMARKS



Sarah Van Horn
Chair, Northern Michigan Chamber Alliance
President, Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce

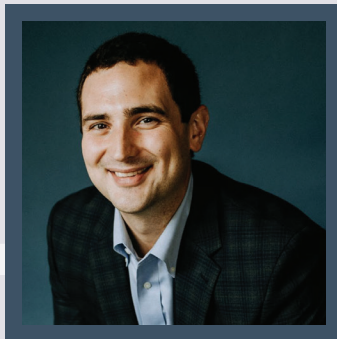


Doug DeYoung
Public Affairs Area Manager
Consumers Energy



Anna Mooney
Government Relations Manager
Enbridge

NORTHERN MICHIGAN CHAMBER ALLIANCE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



Henry Wolf
Director of Government Relations
Northern Michigan Chamber Alliance
Traverse Connect

REMARKS FROM FEDERAL LEGISLATORS



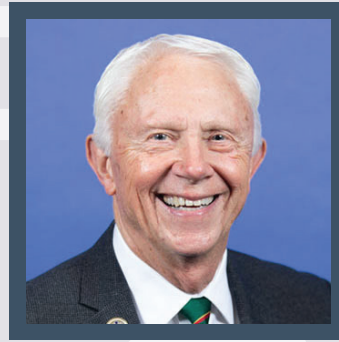
Debbie Stabenow
U.S. Senator
Michigan



Gary Peters
U.S. Senator
Michigan



John Moolenaar
U.S. Representative
Second District of Michigan



Jack Bergman
U.S. Representative
First District of Michigan

REMARKS FROM MICHIGAN HOUSE SPEAKER



Joe Tate
Michigan House Speaker
Michigan State House, District 10

NORTHERN CAUCUS: CURRENT AFFAIRS AND WHAT TO EXPECT IN 2023



MODERATOR

Carlin Smith

Northern Michigan Community Affairs Manager, Consumers Energy
Past Chair, Northern Michigan Chamber Alliance

PANELISTS



John N. Damoose
State Senator
Michigan Senate District 37



Michele Hoytenga
State Senator
Michigan Senate District 36



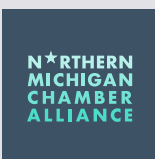
Betsy Coffia
State Representative
Michigan State House District 103



John R. Roth
State Representative
Michigan State House District 104



Curt VanderWall
State Representative
Michigan State House District 102



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BROADBAND AND INFRASTRUCTURE PANEL

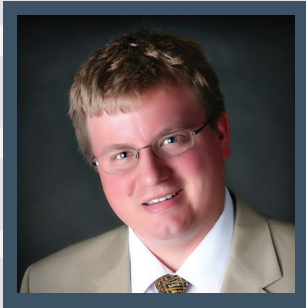


MODERATOR

Dave Mengebier

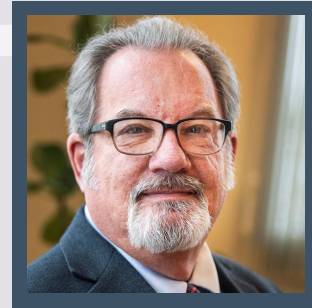
President and CEO, Grand Traverse Regional Community Foundation
Chair, Traverse Connect Government Relations Committee

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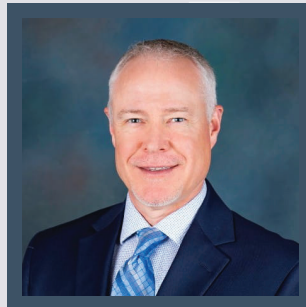
Eric Frederick

Chief Connectivity Officer
Michigan High-Speed Internet Office (MIHI)



Gary Heidel

Acting Executive Director
Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA)



Brad Wieferrich

Acting Director
Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)

KEYNOTE ADDRESS



Garlin Gilchrist II

Lieutenant Governor of Michigan

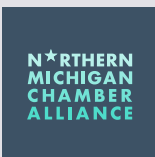
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6:30 PM - 12:00 AM

Grand Traverse Resort & Spa - 16th & 17th Floors of the Tower

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