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Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association Rescinds Prior Gubernatorial Endorsement

[Oklahoma City, OK — Jan. 21, 2026] — The Oklahoma Cattlemen's Association (OCA) today announced that it has formally rescinded and voided its January 2025 political endorsement of Attorney General Gentner Drummond for Governor of the State of Oklahoma.

OCA is a membership-driven organization committed to representing the collective will and best interests of Oklahoma cattle producers. OCA has significant concerns regarding subsequent actions taken by the Office of the Attorney General, including watershed-based regulatory and litigation strategies that directly impact cattle operations across Oklahoma. The Association believes these actions are contrary to the economic interests, operational viability, and private property rights of Oklahoma's beef producers.

In accordance with action taken by its governing body, OCA will withdraw all public references to the January 2025 endorsement from its official communications and has notified Attorney General Drummond that the endorsement has been rescinded.

The association also adopted internal policy that will guide the organization with future political engagements. The new policy states that OCA shall not officially endorse any candidates for any political position or office on the local, state, or national levels.

“The Oklahoma Cattlemen’s Association exists to advocate for cattle producers and rural landowners across our state,” said Michael Kelsey, Executive Vice President of OCA. “Our policy positions and political engagement must reflect the priorities and direction of our membership. This action reinforces that commitment.”

OCA will continue to engage constructively with elected officials and candidates at all levels of government while advocating for science-based policy, regulatory certainty, and the protection of private property rights critical to Oklahoma agriculture. For more information about OCA policy positions and advocacy efforts, visit www.okcattlemen.org.

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