

# Speaker Ryan: Statement congratulating new GOP leadership team

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**WASHINGTON—House Speaker Paul Ryan (R-WI) released the following statement upon the election of a new Republican leadership team for the 116th Congress:**

*“We have a new role and a new mission in the House, and this group is well-equipped to meet the challenge. I know they will defend the significant policy achievements of the last two years, find areas of common ground where possible, and draw a stark contrast with the new liberal majority. This team has the experience, skill, and steadiness to guide us back to the majority, and I congratulate them all on their new positions. In particular, it gives me great confidence as I depart knowing this conference is in good hands with my friend Kevin McCarthy at the top. Bright days are ahead for this team.”*

The GOP leadership team for the 116th Congress:

- Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA)
- Republican Whip Steve Scalise (R-LA)
- Conference Chair Liz Cheney (R-WY)
- NRCC Chair Tom Emmer (R-MN)
- Policy Committee Chair Gary Palmer (R-AL)
- Conference Vice Chair Mark Walker (R-NC)
- Conference Secretary Jason Smith (R-MO)