

DeSantis Releases His 10-Point 'Declaration Of Economic Independence' Policy Platform

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Florida Governor Ron DeSantis unveiled his presidential economic policy agenda while on the campaign trail on Monday in New Hampshire.

The platform, dubbed the "Declaration of Economic Independence," is a 10-point policy outline that mirrors the agenda that DeSantis has pursued in Florida.

Under DeSantis, Florida has been ranked as the <u>best economy</u> in the nation, with CNBC calling it "<u>white hot</u>." The CATO Institute currently ranks Florida as the top state in the country for <u>fiscal policy freedom</u>, which it says consists of "taxes, government employment, spending, debt, and fiscal decentralization." The institute also ranks Florida <u>first in economic freedom</u>, which includes fiscal and regulatory policy. The state also <u>leads</u> the country in new business startups.

DeSantis' agenda outlines what it says are the problems with the U.S. economy, including high prices sparked by reckless government spending, lackluster economic growth, a ballooning national debt, an increasingly competitive China, high taxes, and too many regulations.

The campaign takes a hard line against communist China, saying that their economic goal is: "We Win. They Lose."

The campaign says that the "Declaration of Economic Independence" seeks to break America away from "the failed elites that have orchestrated American decline," China, reckless government spending, central planners, far-left agendas like the Green New Deal, and powerful woke corporations.

The 10-point plan includes:

- Ending America's "abusive relationship" with China by reversing "ever-increasing trade deficits, reshore capital and supply chains, and demand that American companies act in accordance with American interests," the campaign says.
- Achieving 3% economic growth by cutting Biden-era regulations, lowering taxes, and incentivizing investment in the U.S.
- **Making America Energy Independent** by utilizing the vast domestic energy resources the U.S. has and modernizing the U.S. grid for future growth and national security reasons.

- Clamping down on woke ESG initiatives in major corporations
- Returning the U.S. to an economic system of meritocracy
- **Reforming the education system** by "support[ing] school choice nationwide, protect[ing] parental rights, reform[ing] accreditation, and steer[ing] funding toward programs and institutions that support the jobs of the future."
- Protecting American jobs from those who illegally enter the U.S. by enforcing federal immigration laws and securing the border.
- **Reining in the Federal Reserve** by appointing a Chairman "who will focus on maintaining a stable dollar instead of the political pressures of the day."
- Ending corporate bailouts and "requir[ing] more transparency from big banks and financial actors."
- Ending reckless government spending.