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Vivek Drops Out, Endorses Trump After Iowa Caucus

Vivek Ramaswamy suspended his campaign for President last night after [receiving 7.7 percent of the Iowa caucus vote](#). After the results, [Ramaswamy announced](#), “As of this moment we are going to suspend this Presidential campaign, and this going to have to be, there is no path for me to be the next President absent things that we don’t want to see happen in this country.”

Ramaswamy said there were two “America First” candidates in the race, and endorsed former President Donald Trump, saying, “Earlier tonight I called Donald Trump to tell him I congratulate him on his victory, and now going forward he will have my full endorsement for the Presidency.”



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Vivek Ramaswamy

The Ramaswamy [campaign focused on the America First movement](#), and encouraged his supporters to follow him in supporting Trump, saying, “I’m going to ask you to follow me in taking the America first movement to the next level, it did not begin in 2016 it began in 1776.” [Forbes reports polls show](#) 37 percent of Ramaswamy supporters would vote for DeSantis in New Hampshire, followed by 35 percent supporting Trump.

[Trump congratulated Ramaswamy, saying](#), “I also want to congratulate Vivek because he did a hell of a job, he came from zero and he’s got a big percent, probably eight percent, almost eight percent, and that’s an amazing job.”

Ramaswamy stated that he will likely [campaign for Trump in the upcoming New Hampshire primary](#), saying, “Tomorrow we’re likely, I’m going to appear with Donald Trump at a rally in New Hampshire to lay out what I see and what we see for the future of the country.”



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