

Ryan Patel Keynotes NACD Entrepreneurial Board Forum

Global business executive & board director emphasizes the strategic element boards serve for companies

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- [Ryan Patel](#) is the official keynote at this year's [Entrepreneurial Board Forum](#), hosted by NACD (National Association of Corporate Directors). This one-day event on July 9, 2018, at the InterContinental Mark Hopkins in San Francisco, CA, is specifically for directors of late stage/pre-IPO companies who aim to ensure long-term success by leveraging an effective board of directors. This event offers leading executives an open space to discuss and learn how having a savvy and transparent board can scale business, unlock new business opportunities and enhance financial performance. Patel's keynote takes place during a networking lunch that will be from 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm PT.



“Ryan’s entrepreneurial success and leadership abilities make him a perfect keynote speaker for this event,” says Erin Essenmacher, NACD’s Chief Programming Officer. “Our membership will be eager to hear how he was able to expand Pinkberry from 95 to 270 stores in 23 countries during his tenure as VP of Global Development.”

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Not only is he a member of the Red Cross Los Angeles Region Board of Directors, he plays an integral part of their marketing efforts as a member of the Board’s Communications and Marketing Committee. Their March is Red Cross Month campaign featured him in its LAX digital billboard advertising campaign. He regularly joins Red Cross volunteers and corporate partners to help install free smoke alarms throughout LA as part of the Red Cross “Sound the Alarm. Save a Life.” campaign.

“Yes, having a strong board of directors will help sustain the longevity of your company for years to

come,” says Patel. “But the best part of an effective board is the ability to have different perspectives and open dialogue at all times. The opportunity to handpick some of the best minds and involve them on a mission they all are passionate about is when a company's true potential can really shine. It is great to be a part of that energy.”

As a board member for GIVN® Water, he has been a part of and helped this once e-commerce brand to over 2,000 retail locations to the initial partnership with Jamba Juice and their participation in joining the clean water movement. Every Jamba juice location now serves GIVN Water as their official bottled water partner. GIVN aims to provide clean water for consumers and provides one day of clean water to people in need for every bottle sold. Consumers have provided over 1 million days of clean water by buying GIVN!

Patel will speak next at NACD's annual Global Board Leaders Summit in Washington, DC on September 29 – October 2, 2018. Save the date and register here.

If you are interested in speaking with Ryan to discuss board opportunities, speaking engagements, or consultations, please contact Melissa at melissa@bellivy.com.

About NACD

The National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD) empowers more than 19,000 directors to lead with confidence in the boardroom. As the recognized authority on leading boardroom practices, NACD helps boards strengthen investor trust and public confidence by ensuring that today's directors are well prepared for tomorrow's challenges. World-class boards join NACD to elevate performance, gain foresight, and instill confidence. Fostering collaboration among directors, investors, and corporate governance stakeholders, NACD has been setting the standard for responsible board leadership for 40 years. To learn more about NACD, visit www.NACDonline.org.

About Ryan Patel

Ryan Patel is a global business executive, sought-after speaker, and entrepreneur. Before he served as the vice president of global development for Pinkberry, he worked for Wet Seal Retail Inc. (Arden B, WS), Jamba Juice, BJ's Restaurants Inc., and Panda Express. He is the recipient of the 2015 Executive of the Year Award from the Los Angeles Business Journal and received Special US Congressional Recognition for outstanding services to the community. In 2017, Inc. magazine listed him as one of nine executives and innovators who serve as an inspiration for how all businesses can make a difference. Patel serves on several Board of Directors such as GIVN Goods Inc., and American Red Cross—Los Angeles Region. Connect with him on LinkedIn and follow him on Twitter @RyanPatelGlobal.

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