

Paul Ryan:

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Republican vice presidential nominee Paul Ryan made a pitch to Ron Paul supporters during a rally in Lima, Ohio, on Monday when asked why libertarians should support the Romney-Ryan ticket.

"For those of us who would have voted in the primaries for, say, Ron Paul, why should we vote for you and not, say, libertarians or Vermin Supreme and the Pony Party or something like that?" a man from the audience asked during the question and answer session.

"Do you want Barack Obama to be re-elected?" Ryan asked. "Then don't vote for Ron Paul."

He quickly added, however, that he agrees with Paul on issues concerning the Federal Reserve and government involvement in the economy:

There are many things that Ron has championed that I am a believer in. Especially liberty and sound money. Look at where we are. And this is where we all see eye to eye. We believe in limited government and economic freedom. We believe in pro-growth policies that say, You keep your money in your family's budget, in your family's business instead of sending it to Washington in the first place. That creates prosperity, freedom and jobs.

And on an issue where Ron has been particularly explicit, the Federal Reserve is yet again trying to bail out the fact that Obama, President Obama has failed on fiscal policy. All of this money printing, which is coming from the Federal Reserve, risks debasing our currency. It risks undermining the value of our dollar, it risks increasing prices on things like food and gas. And among the things that the government can do to harm its people, one of the worst things is to debase its currency. We need sound money, we need our money to have a reliable store of value, especially for people living on fixed incomes. That's an area we feel very strong about.

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