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SPECIAL REPORT

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HAPPY NEW YEAR! *Governor Rick Snyder* announced the appointment of *Al Pscholka* as the state's next **Budget Director**. The former State Representative and House Appropriations Chairman was term-limited out of office on December 31, 2016. *Pscholka* will be working on the Fiscal Year 2017-18 budget with current **Budget Director John Roberts** until his departure in mid-February to the private-sector.

Governor Snyder stated "Al has been an outstanding partner as we have worked to complete responsible, truly balanced budgets ahead of schedule six years in a row. His experience and commitment to continuing to build upon the strong fiscal foundation we have laid make him an excellent choice to continue serving the people of Michigan as the state's Budget Director."

Prior to *Pscholka's* Appropriations Committee service (six years with the past two as Chairman), he served as a Lincoln Township Trustee for 8 years, was the district director for Congressman Fred Upton from 2003-2010 and was in charge of marketing and communications for Cornerstone Alliance in Southeast Michigan.

Pscholka commented "My passion for the past six years has been protecting taxpayers through fiscal responsibility while crafting the state budget. I look forward to working with the Governor and his team in continuing to produce real results for all Michiganders."

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