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**FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COMMENCE NEW TERM**

Two of the three members of the Franklin County Board of Commissioners were sworn in to new 4-year terms this morning at the county courthouse. The county's newest commissioner, Kevin Boyce was sworn in by its longest serving, Marilyn Brown, and then Commissioner John O'Grady was sworn for his third term by Commissioner Boyce.

Boyce comes to the board from the Ohio Statehouse where he has served as representative for the 25th Ohio House District since 2012. He also previously served on Columbus City Council and as Ohio treasurer, and was Managing Director of Rice Financial, a New York investment banking firm. His first Board of Commissioners meeting as a commissioner was also this morning in the Commissioners' Hearing Room at the courthouse.

"I couldn't be more excited to get to work for the residents of Franklin County," said Commissioner Boyce. "It's an honor that I pledge to live up to, and I'm glad to have gotten to hit the ground running this morning."

Kevin Boyce is a graduate of Columbus East High School, the University of Toledo, and has a master's degree in Public Administration from Central Michigan University. He founded the Columbus Youth Commission, and served as executive director of KnowledgeWorks Ohio, a non-profit dedicated to improving Ohio's school systems through public development and advocacy. On City Council, Boyce served as president pro tempore for three years, as well as chairman of the Public Finance Committee. While state treasurer, he was chairman of the Financial Literacy Committee for the National Association of State Treasurers and awarded the Distinguished Partner Award from the National Association of Securities Professionals. While in the Ohio House of Representatives, Boyce served as chairman of the House Subcommittee on Minority Affairs, and was elected minority whip by his Democratic colleagues.

"I'm so proud of all that we accomplished in the past four years," said O'Grady. "And humbled to have been chosen again to serve on the Board of Commissioners. I'm also thrilled that Kevin is joining the board. In him, our residents are gaining a strong voice and an experienced advocate."

The Board of Commissioners will meet on Monday to vote on who will serve as board president in 2017, and meet in General Session every Tuesday at 9:00 am at the Franklin County Courthouse. All meetings are public.

“For 2017, I am excited to continue the county’s important work alongside my returning colleague John O’Grady and new colleague Kevin Boyce,” said Commissioner Brown. “We are a board that will work together with confidence and trust in one another’s talents and passions.”

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