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KASICH APPOINTS DANIELS TO LEAD DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

COLUMBUS—Governor John R. Kasich today announced the appointment of Sen. David Daniels (R-Greenfield) to serve as director of the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA). Daniels has represented Ohio's 17th Senate District since January 2011 and will submit his resignation to the Ohio Senate on Wednesday. He is expected to be sworn in and begin his duties as ODA director on Thursday, February 16.

Daniels replaces Jim Zehringer who Kasich appointed to lead the Ohio Department of Natural Resources in November 2011. Chief of Animal Health and State Veterinarian Dr. Tony Forshey has served as interim director of ODA since November and will resume his previously-held duties upon Daniels' swearing-in.

Daniels is a life-long farmer and, together with his father and uncle, operated Daniels Brothers farm in Greenfield. Prior to his election to the Ohio Senate in 2010, Daniels served eight years in the Ohio House of Representatives and a total of 18 years in local government as a Highland County commissioner, a Greenfield city councilman, and the mayor of Greenfield.

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