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Ohio Governor Ted Strickland appointed Lisa Patt-McDaniel as Director of the Ohio Department of Development on September 16, 2009. As Director, Lisa leads the department's efforts to accelerate Ohio's economic growth and recovery through job creation and development of our high-growth industries.

Under her leadership, the Department continues to strengthen Ohio's assets and bring prosperity to all Ohioans. She was instrumental in bringing the first Ohio Hub of Innovation and Opportunity from concept to reality. Launched in Dayton, the collaborative effort from Ohio's *Strategic Plan for Economic Development* is designed to accelerate our regional strengths. Lisa also helped launch the Minority Business Advisory Council to further develop Ohio's minority business enterprises and community, and launched the Ohio Complete Count Committee with State Treasurer Kevin Boyce. She has also overseen dozens of economic development projects and the awarding of millions of dollars in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding.

A veteran of the Department, Lisa has served in several capacities since joining the Department in 1990. Prior to being appointed Director, she led the Workforce and Talent Division in the Ohio Department of Development. As Director of that Division, she spearheaded the state's efforts in the creation of a workforce system that is competitive in the modern, demand-driven economy, working collaboratively with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services and the Ohio Board of Regents. The Division is responsible for managing the Ohio Investment in Training Program, Workforce Guarantee Program, the Governor's Workforce Investment Act Discretionary funds, and staffing the Governor's Workforce Policy Board.

Before becoming Director of Workforce and Talent, Lisa served many years in the Department's Community Development Division and Office of Business Development. She started her career with the Department in 1990 as a Field Representative and Downtown Program Coordinator in the Office of Local Government Services, which later became known as Office of Housing and Community Partnerships. During her time, she successfully led efforts to administer approximately \$8 million annually, directed more than \$300 million in federal and state funds, and helped introduced the Community Distress Grant Program to provide grants to communities with low- and moderate-income populations. As Manager of the Office of Business Development from 1997 to 2000, she led the Department's efforts in bringing new companies to Ohio and helping existing companies expand.

The Council of State Community Development Agencies appointed Lisa to the Federal Task Force on Performance Measures for Housing and Urban Development Programs, where she also served on the organization's Board.

Lisa currently serves on many boards which help bring prosperity to Ohioans. She is the chair of the Minority Business Advisory Council and vice-chair of the Ohio Complete Count Committee, which raises public awareness on the 2010 Census. In addition, she serves on the Ohio Third Frontier Commission and co-chairs the Interagency Council on Homelessness and Housing Policy Team, a collaborative effort of state government to develop policies and strategies to end homelessness in Ohio.

Lisa earned her bachelor's degree in Public Policy from Miami University and her Master of Public Administration from The Ohio State University. She is married to Dana McDaniel and has two children: Caitlyn and Colleen.