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## Indiana News

### PENCE TOUTS 'TREMENDOUS' 2015, LOOKS AHEAD TO 2016

InsideIndianaBusiness.com (Website)

12/30/15

Indiana Governor Mike Pence released an open letter to state residents highlighting Indiana's declining unemployment rate, "historic" work force investments, higher economic growth and increased education funding. Pence says plans for 2016 include continued emphasis on strengthening the economy, improving lives and attracting and retaining top talent. [Read more here.](#)

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### BALLARD PROUD OF 'NEW GENERATION OF LEADERSHIP'

InsideIndianaBusiness.com (Website)

1/3/16

Former Indianapolis Mayor Greg Ballard says he is most proud of the "new generation of leadership" that the city has attracted under his administration. Ballard says he feels there is a sense of optimism about the city's future. [Read more here.](#)

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### NEW MAYOR SWORN IN, SAYS ANDERSON 'FULL OF PROMISE'

Herald Bulletin (Anderson, IN)

1/1/16

Thomas Broderick was sworn in as mayor of Anderson on Friday. In his first address, Broderick thanked outgoing Mayor Kevin Smith for his cooperation during the transition from one administration to another, and said Anderson "is full of promise, and the future is great." [Read more here.](#)

## **BRODERICK APPOINTS FORMER CITY EMPLOYEES**

Herald Bulletin (Anderson, IN)

1/2/16

Anderson Mayor Thomas Broderick announced three appointments a day before assuming office. Merle Jones was appointed general manager for the City of Anderson Transit System, Fred Reese Jr. as City Hall building superintendent, and Kim Townsend as grant administrator. All three are former Anderson city employees who either resigned or were terminated by previous city administrations. [Read more here.](#)

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## **BRODERICK HITS THE GROUND RUNNING**

Herald Bulletin (Anderson, IN)

1/3/16

In his first days in office, Anderson Mayor Thomas Broderick plans to meet with all the newly appointed department heads and those being retained from the Smith administration to discuss his philosophy and general policies. Upcoming city business includes determining a location for a new bus terminal for the City of Anderson Transit System. [Read more here.](#)

## **Michigan News**

### **GOV. RICK SNYDER NEEDS TO DO MORE THAN JUST APOLOGIZE FOR FLINT WATER CRISIS (Editorial)**

Mlive.com (Website)

12/31/15

Gov. Snyder's apology and the resignation of Michigan DEQ Director Dan Wyant over the Flint water crisis continue to draw media attention. Gov. Snyder appointed Department of Natural Resources Director Keith Creagh as the interim head of the DEQ on Wednesday. The following media outlets have ongoing coverage of the situation.

Mlive.com (Editorial)

Mlive.com (Column)

Detroit Free Press

Detroit News

Detroit Metro Times

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### **FLINT OFFICIALS HOPE RESOLUTION CLEARS CITY OF \$15.7 MILLION PAYBACK**

Mlive.com (Website)

12/30/15

Flint City Council members voted on a resolution to approve a fund transfer that they hope will clear the city of paying a potential \$15.7 million from the city's general fund. The amount was transferred out of water and sewer funds in 2007 to aid in settling a lawsuit over sewage