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Cox's Jonathan Tucker Joins FloridaWest

GREATER PENSACOLA, FL - FloridaWest Economic Development Alliance is pleased to announce that Jonathan Tucker, Director of Business Sales for Cox Business Florida and Georgia, has joined the Board of Directors as an Associate Member.

"I look forward to being involved with FloridaWest as a member of the board," Tucker said. "Cox sees great value in supporting economic development and the work that FloridaWest is doing to bring prosperity to the region. I am honored to be a part of that process."

Tucker brings a strong technology background that will serve the FloridaWest board well, given its strategic interests in Cybersecurity and IT expansions to the Northwest Florida area.

Tucker is a 20-year veteran of the internet and telecom industry, with experience with startups, rebuilds and large corporations. He's a member of the Gulf Breeze Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Leadership Pensacola Class of 2018. Over the years, Tucker has also served on various other boards and committees in the communities where he lived.

"Jonathan will be an excellent addition to the FloridaWest board. Our region is growing and FloridaWest is growing as well," said Wendell Smith, President, "We are very pleased to have strong representation from across the business community, and we look forward to a successful and prosperous year in 2018."

The FloridaWest Economic Development Alliance is the region's economic development organization with the mission of building, growing, and sustaining the economic potential and prosperity of Northwest Florida. Through an alliance with more than 100 public and private community and business leaders, FloridaWest is collectively strengthening the region's social, human, and business capital. FloridaWest is governed by a board of directors comprised of nine business and community leaders.

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