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DOLE NAMES KELLY JOHNSTON TO BE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

WASHINGTON -- Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole today announced his selection of Kelly D. Johnston to be the next Secretary of the Senate. Upon approval by the full Senate, Johnston will succeed Sheila Burke, who has served as Secretary of the Senate since January 4th, and who will continue in her position as Chief of Staff to the Majority Leader.

A native of Oklahoma, Johnston has built an impressive career in politics and public service. He is currently Staff Director of the Senate Republican Policy Committee, a position he has held since 1992. His previous experience includes service as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs of the U.S. Department of Transportation (1991-1992); Deputy Political Director for the National Republican Senatorial Committee (1989-1991); Chief of Staff for U.S. Representative Jon Kyl (1987-1989); regional field manager for the National Republican Congressional Committee (1983-1987); and Director of Communications for U.S. Representative John Hiler (1981-1983).

As an elected officer of the Senate, the Secretary of the Senate oversees the legislative administration of the Congress's upper chamber. Johnston's appointment is expected to be presented to the Senate for confirmation in late May or early June.

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