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Senator John Cauthorn Expresses Disappointment in Mexico Resident's Departure from Transportation Commission

Larry Webber's term on highway and transportation commission ends

JEFFERSON CITY, MO – Northern Missouri will lose its representation and voice in state transportation affairs with Larry Webber's departure from the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission, announced Sen. John Cauthorn, R-Mexico. Gov. Blunt today announced the end of Webber's tenure on the commission.

"Larry Webber's dedication to improving Missouri's roads and highways has been of great benefit to the people of Missouri," Cauthorn said. "Losing representation puts projects such as four-lane improvements to Highway 36 in further jeopardy. Keeping a voice from northern Missouri on this board is critical to ensuring our needs are met."

Webber was appointed to the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission in March of 2004 and his term recently expired. The commission is a six-member, bipartisan board that guides the Missouri Department of Transportation. Members are appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Missouri Senate.

Webber and his wife, Laurann, operate two pharmacies in Mexico. He is a member of the Missouri Pharmacists Association and serves on the board of directors of Commerce Bank and the Mexico Industrial Development Authority. Webber was mayor of Mexico from 1983 to 1987 and served on the Mexico City Council from 1980 to 1987.

"Larry's service to the people of Mexico and Missourians everywhere is indisputable," Cauthorn said. "I hope other leading residents of northern Missouri can continue Larry's legacy on the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission."

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