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State Sen. Bill Stouffer Thanks Sen. Kit Bond for \$1 Million in Federal Funds for Richmond

JEFFERSON CITY – State Sen. Bill Stouffer, R-Napton, today expressed gratitude for the efforts of U.S. Sen. Christopher “Kit” Bond to obtain \$1 million in federal funding for Richmond’s downtown revitalization project. The funds come after the Missouri Department of Economic Development awarded Richmond a \$400,000 grant earlier this year.

“Sen. Bond has done extraordinary work obtaining federal funds to promote economic development in Richmond,” Stouffer said. “By working together at the local, state and federal levels, Richmond can develop the infrastructure it needs to create job growth opportunities for all citizens.”

Bond secured the \$1 million for the downtown revitalization project in the fiscal year 2006 appropriations bill for the U.S. Departments of Transportation, the Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development.

The money Bond secured will be used for new lighting, underground electrical service, and new sidewalks and curbs compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. It will also assist in addressing downtown Richmond’s off-street parking problem.

“These types of investments are what Missouri communities need to advance local industries,” Stouffer said. “All the citizens of Richmond will benefit from these funds.”

Richmond received a \$400,000 Community Development Block Grant from the state Department of Economic Development in May of this year for downtown infrastructure improvements.

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