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## Sen. Gross Honored by Veterans

Jefferson City, MO (February 2, 2006) -- On January 23<sup>rd</sup>, at a reception for Missouri's legislators hosted by Missouri's veterans, Senator Chuck Gross (R-23) of St. Charles, MO was honored as the recipient of the Senator of the Year Award by the Missouri Association of Veterans Organizations (MAVO).

Sen. Gross was selected for his leadership during the First Session of the 93<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly in support of a budget that prevented cuts to the Missouri Veterans Commission budget that directly affected the operation of the Missouri Veterans Homes and the veteran residents of those homes. He has also been a staunch supporter for many other legislative actions that has enabled the state of Missouri to enhance the programs providing veterans' services to those who served our nation in the defense of freedom.

MAVO Legislative Chairman James (Ernie) Lee stated that "Sen. Gross' leadership in the Senate budget process and his dedicated support of the veterans of Missouri helped provide many important benefits for veterans that otherwise would have been cut in a lean budget year."

Sen. Gross serves as the Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee as well as several other committees.

Sen. Gross, a Republican, represents part of St. Charles County (District 23) in the Missouri Senate. He lives in St. Charles with his wife Leslie Ann and they have two daughters, Megan and Madelynn.