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Sen. Frank Barnitz Welcomes Nationally Recognized University of Rolla Swim Team

JEFFERSON CITY – Sen. Frank Barnitz, D-Lake Spring, recently welcomed members of the University of Missouri- Rolla swim team and their head coach, Doug Grooms, to the Capitol.

"These talented young men have worked hard this year and they deserve the recognition they get," said Sen. Barnitz. "It is quite an accomplishment for these students to stay so athletically involved while also attending such a prestigious University."

The team, also called the Miners, placed fourth at the in Division II of the NCAA Swimming and Diving Championship in March. The Miners have also led the nation in team grade point average in at least one semester for the past seven years.

The group had breakfast outside of Sen. Barnitz's office, was recognized by the Senate, and toured the Capitol. Team members recognized in a resolution presented by Sen. Barnitz were Matt Adams, David Calcara, Mark Chamberlain, Bill Gaul, Matt Hammond, Brian Howell, Matt Hug, Kyle Kammer, Cameron McKay, Jay Murphy, Paul Reinisch, David Sanchez-Turner, Andy Shelley, Chris Scheuber, Dustin Spieker, Travis Stensby, Rory Swift, and Andrew Trowbridge. Head Coach Grooms and Assistant Coach Scott Caron were also recognized.

"I was very pleased to meet and spend time with the members of the Rolla swim team and their coach," said Sen. Barnitz. "They are an impressive group, and I know their sense of teamwork and perseverance will lead them to more great accomplishments."

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In the picture are (from left) Sen. Barnitz, Matt Hammond, Andy Shelley, Chris Scheuber, Bill Gaul, Travis Stensby, Matt Adams, Coach Grooms, and Rep. Bob May.

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