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Senator Rupp Announces Senate Approval of Gubernatorial Appointees

JEFFERSON CITY — Sen. Scott T. Rupp, R-Wentzville, today announced that the Senate Gubernatorial Appointments Committee and the full Senate have approved the nominations of two O'Fallon residents: Robert Derickson to the Missouri Emergency Response Commission and Janet Bandera to the Missouri Women's Council.

Derickson joins the Missouri Emergency Response Commission, which protects public health and the environment by assisting communities with chemical incident prevention, preparedness, response and recovery.

"Robert Derickson has 29 years of experience operating an interstate natural gas pipeline and is an ideal person to serve on the Missouri Emergency Response Commission," Sen. Rupp said.

Derickson will graduate this fall with a business administration degree from Lindenwood University in St. Charles.

Bandera, an attorney specializing in estate planning and asset protection and president of Bandera Law Firm in Clayton, joins the Missouri Women's Council — a resource and referral center for women pursuing their economic goals.

"Janet Bandera is an accomplished attorney and business owner who is very committed to helping other women achieve their potential economic success. She will make a great addition to the Missouri Women's Council," Sen. Rupp said.

A columnist for the *Journal of Practical Estate Planning*, Bandera serves on several boards and is the founder and current board secretary of Gilda's Club St. Louis — a support community for men, women and children touched by cancer and their families and friends.

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Sen. Rupp with Robert Derickson, left, and Janet Bandera, right, during gubernatorial hearings.

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