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Sen. Kevin Engler Elected to Majority Floor Leadership

JEFFERSON CITY – Senator Kevin Engler, R-Farmington, was today elected Majority Floor Leader of the Missouri Senate. Senate Republican caucus members elected Sen. Engler to the floor leadership position, which runs over the next two years.

“It’s quite an honor to assume this new set of leadership responsibilities, and I thank my colleagues for electing me as Majority Floor Leader,” said Sen. Engler. “I will work hard to use this expanded role to benefit the 3rd District and Missourians throughout the state.”

Senator Kevin Engler was elected to the Senate in 2004 after serving one term in the House of Representatives (2003-2004). Prior to being elected Majority Floor Leader, he served in leadership as Majority Whip, a caucus shepherding position also found in Congress.

“Kevin will be a strong floor leader,” presumptive Senate Leader Charlie Shields (R-St. Joseph), said. “We have had what may be the most productive Senate in the nation creating commonsense solutions to the complex problems facing Missourians. As floor leader, Kevin will keep us moving forward by forging compromises on the issues important to the everyday lives of the people of our state.”

As majority floor leader, Sen. Engler will be responsible for setting the calendar of bills to come before the Senate and calling out the agenda items on the chamber’s daily order of business. Sen. Engler’s work as majority floor leader will be instrumental in helping the incoming Senate President Pro Tem set the pace, tone and direction of the Senate’s daily business. His position will also be key to the legislative success of the Senate members in his political party, and the Senate minority party members.

“I have always been dedicated to responsibility and accountability in our state government, and I will continue to work to improve our state,” Sen. Engler said. “I am looking forward to working with Senate members from both sides of the aisle to continue our progress for our state.”

Sen. Engler will officially begin his duties as Majority Floor Leader at the beginning of the legislative session in January. The First Regular Session of the 95th General Assembly begins on January 7th, 2009, and adjourns on May 15th, 2009.

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