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## Sen. John Loudon Announces Chesterfield Residents Named to State Board Positions

JEFFERSON CITY – Sen. John Loudon, R-Chesterfield, today announced that the Senate Gubernatorial Appointments Committee and the full Senate have approved the nominations of two Chesterfield residents: Rick Kern to the Linn State Technical College Board of Regents and Jason Morgan to the Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority.

Kern, a general sales manager at Saturn of South County and longtime sales consultant and manager in the automobile industry, joins the governing board for Linn State Technical College for a six-year term.

“Rick Kern is interested in helping students achieve their potential in technical fields and in building a strong and skilled workforce,” Sen. Loudon said. “His experience in business will be a great asset to the board of regents.”

He is a graduate of the University of Missouri with a master’s degree in clinical/counseling psychology. He has served as the vice president of the greater St. Louis Auto Dealers Association and previously chaired the St. Louis Auto Show. He is a board member of the Masonic Home of Missouri and currently serves as grand chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Missouri and on the advisory board to the Sigma Chi Fraternity chapter.

Morgan, owner of Prudential Alliance Commercial, joins the environmental and energy authority, which works to develop unique and effective mechanisms adequate to support state, municipal, regional and corporate environmental improvements.

“Jason Morgan has been active in commercial real estate brokerage since 1995 and his experience with commercial and residential properties will be beneficial when exploring ways to improve energy efficiency,” Sen. Loudon said.

Morgan holds a degree in business communications from the University of Kansas. He belongs to several professional and civic groups and currently serves as a board member of the Metropolitan Commercial Real Estate Developers Association.

He will serve a three-year term.

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*Sen. Loudon with Rick Kern, left, and Jason Morgan, right, during the gubernatorial hearings.*

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## Sen. John Loudon Announces Area Residents Reappointed to State Boards

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JEFFERSON CITY – Sen. John Loudon, R-Chesterfield, today announced that the Senate Gubernatorial Appointments Committee and the full Senate have approved the reappointments of Michelle Esswein of St. Louis to the Missouri Women’s Council and Lori Ladd of Chesterfield to the Missouri State Advisory Council on Pain and Symptom Management.

Esswein, the founder, president and chief executive officer of *Winning Women* — an organization that promotes women in business, education, government and health initiatives to advance regional economic growth — will serve a second term on the Missouri Women’s Council. The council is a resource and referral center for women pursuing their economic goals.

“Michelle Esswein has demonstrated remarkable skill in promoting economic development conducive to business growth and development for women in business and will continue to share her business sense and marketing skills with the council,” Sen. Loudon said.

Ladd, a clinical nurse specialist, will continue her work with the advisory council on pain and symptom management. The council assembles an annual report on pain for the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, state legislative bodies and the governor.

Ladd has extensive clinical and teaching experience in the pain management field.

“I’m pleased that Lori Ladd will once again offer her expertise to the advisory council as it works to address state policy recommendations, health care educator pain management requirements and improvements to the health care system as it relates to pain,” Sen. Loudon said.

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