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## **Sen. Ryan McKenna to Serve on Mississippi River Parkway Commission**

JEFFERSON CITY — Senator Ryan McKenna (D-Crystal City) has been appointed to the Mississippi River Parkway Commission. The group coordinates efforts to encourage highway improvements, recreational points of interest, and historic preservation along the Mississippi River.

“The Mississippi River is an important factor in Missouri’s economic and transportation issues,” said Sen. McKenna. “It is important that we take care of this valuable resource.”

The commission is made up of nine members — five appointed by the governor and two members each from the Senate and House. The commission works with the 10 other Mississippi River states to coordinate domestic and international marketing, enhance economic development, and promote resource awareness. There are up to four state meetings a year and an additional two meetings with delegations from other states.

“I look forward to working with officials from other states and hope to be able to gather information that will positively impact Missouri,” said Sen. McKenna. “There are so many communities affected by this 3,000-mile river, and I am sure there is plenty of knowledge they can share.”

Sen. McKenna will be serving on the commission with two representatives, Sen. Tom Dempsey (R-St. Charles), Dr. Frank Nickell of Cape Girardeau, Silvey Barker of East Prairie, Gerty O’Leary of Herculaneum, and George Walley of Hannibal.

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