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Sen. Griesheimer Announces Washington Resident Reappointed To Missouri Development Finance Board

JEFFERSON CITY — State Sen. John Griesheimer, R-Washington, today announced that the Senate has approved the reappointment of Louis "L.B." Eckelkamp, Jr., of Washington to the Missouri Development Finance Board.

The Missouri Development Finance Board administers a range of financing programs for Missouri businesses, local governments and state agencies; issues taxable and tax-exempt industrial revenue bonds or notes; and provides market rate or low-interest loans and grants to fund public infrastructure improvements.

"We are extremely honored to have someone with the business acumen of L.B. Eckelkamp to continue to serve on the Missouri Development Finance Board," Sen. Griesheimer said. "His longtime business career and outstanding experience as a community leader have been invaluable to the board."

Eckelkamp is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the Bank of Washington. He is also chairman and president of Cardinal Bancorp and Cardinal Bancorp II, which own the United Bank of Union and Citizens National Bank of Greater St. Louis. He is also president of Eckelkamp Office Center, Inc. and a partner in Eckelkamp Enterprises and Eckelkamp Kuenzel LLP, all located in Washington. He is also a partner in several other business ventures and serves on the boards of a number of greater St. Louis-area community organizations.

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