

## State Senator Norma Champion

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## Sen. Norma Champion Asking for Nominations of 'Missouri Unsung Heroes'

JEFFERSON CITY – Sen. Norma Champion, R-Springfield, is asking residents in the 30<sup>th</sup> District to submit the names of Missourians from the private sector who have achieved, accomplished or overcome something remarkable in their lives. Some of these extraordinary Missourians from throughout the state will be featured in the Missouri Senate's 2009 Calendar.

"It is time for dedicated Missourians who may not always receive recognition, or even a 'thank you,' to know how much we appreciate their efforts," Sen. Champion said. "In a small way we can recognize these individuals for giving so much of themselves."

The Missouri Senate produces a themed calendar each year highlighting some aspect of Missouri's history or culture. This year will be the first to include submitted entries from the public. Sen. Champion will select two nominees from the 30<sup>th</sup> District, and these two individuals, families, or groups will be submitted to a panel of volunteer judges who will select 12 finalists for the calendar.

A nomination form can be found online at <a href="www.senate.mo.gov">www.senate.mo.gov</a> by clicking on the "Know a Hero?" link. Submissions need to be received by Sen. Champion's office by April 30, 2008.

"I encourage anyone who knows a person or group who deserves to be recognized to submit a nomination," Sen. Champion said. "I am looking forward to reading the stories of the many people who help make a difference in the 30<sup>th</sup> District."