



Senator Scott T. Rupp to Receive RCGA Lewis & Clark Statesman Award

JEFFERSON CITY — Senator Scott T. Rupp, R-Wentzville, was recently chosen to receive the 2009 Lewis & Clark Statesman Award by the St. Louis Regional Chamber & Growth Association (RCGA) for his legislative efforts benefitting economic development in the St. Louis region.

RCGA presents the annual award to lawmakers who have demonstrated leadership and sustained effort on behalf of the St. Louis region. In particular, notable legislation regarding economic development, capital improvements and measures to support the area's regional transit system were noted by the RCGA for the award selection.

During the 2009 legislative session, the General Assembly approved Sen. Rupp's proposal to increase the cap on the New Markets Tax Credit program in the jobs bill ([HB 191](#)). The New Markets Tax Credit program is an economic tool that encourages investment in small businesses located in distressed communities. Senator Rupp advanced the program in the General Assembly in 2007 to provide financial incentives to communities with the greatest need for economic development.

Senator Rupp will be recognized during an awards ceremony on Monday, Aug. 31, at the Renaissance Grand Hotel in downtown St. Louis.



Sen. Scott T. Rupp

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