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Senator Eric Schmitt Receives RCGA Lewis & Clark Statesman Award

JEFFERSON CITY — Senator Eric S. Schmitt, R-Glendale, has been chosen to receive the Lewis & Clark Statesman Award by the St. Louis Regional Chamber & Growth Association (RCGA). He will be presented with the award on August 23 at the annual Statesman Reception at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in downtown St. Louis.

Senator Schmitt will be awarded the 2010 Lewis & Clark Statesman Award for his legislative efforts to improve business climates and create new economic development in the St. Louis area. RCGA presents the annual award to lawmakers who have demonstrated strong leadership on behalf of the St. Louis region.

Senator Schmitt serves on the Senate Committee on Jobs, Economic Development and Local Government and the Job Creation 2020 Committee. He has been a strong supporter of programs designed to spur the economy and encourage job growth throughout Missouri, specifically in the St. Louis area.

Senator Schmitt also worked to advance measures during the 2010 legislative session that would cut state costs and make state government more efficient. During these tough financial times, Sen. Schmitt has been an advocate for taxpayers and has promised to fight any job-killing tax increases on hard-working Missourians.

“This year was certainly a challenging one, as budget shortfalls forced us to make tough decisions to keep Missouri spending within its means,” said Sen. Schmitt. “Now more than ever, it is important to focus on ways to foster job creation and spur the economy. I appreciate this recognition by RCGA, and I will continue to advocate for these important issues.”

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