

Frank A. Barnitz 16<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District **For Immediate Release: May 13, 2010**  Capitol Building, Room 427 Jefferson City, MO 65101

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## Senator Frank Barnitz Welcomes New Commanding General of Fort Leonard Wood to the Capitol

JEFFERSON CITY – Senator Frank Barnitz, D-Lake Spring, today hosted a visit from Major General David Quantock and his wife, Melissa. Senator Barnitz introduced General Quantock and his wife on the Senate floor and then presented the general with a Senate resolution thanking him for his service.

"I enjoyed hosting General Quantock's visit, and I want to thank him and his wife for making the trip to Jefferson City," said Sen. Barnitz. "As the largest military installation in Missouri and an important training resource for the military, Ft. Leonard Wood is a resource for our state, and we are glad to have it in the 16<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District."

General Quantock took command of Ft. Leonard Wood on May 7. His trip to the Capitol served to welcome him and his wife to the state and thank him for his continuing service to the country. His visit included tours of the Senate and House chambers, as well as the opportunity to meet with Gov. Jay Nixon and his wife, Georgeanne.

Senator Barnitz also hosted a luncheon where Gen. Quantock met members of the Military Preparedness and Enhancement Commission and Missouri Veterans Commission. Throughout the day, topics of discussion included ways the state can support the work of Ft. Leonard Wood and Missouri's members of the military.

"We have worked very hard to turn Missouri around and make it into a military-friendly state," said Sen. Barnitz. "It is so important that we maintain a strong relationship with Ft. Leonard Wood so that we can find the best ways to support our men and women in uniform. I look forward to working with Gen. and Mrs. Quantock in meeting this goal."



At left, Sen. Barnitz with Major General David and Melissa Quantock. At right, Sen. Barnitz presents Gen. Quantock with a Senate resolution thanking him for his service.



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