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District 1

Robert J. Crump (R): Robert J. Crump serves as the committed and impassioned Committeeman for Ward 23 in St. Louis. A fervent advocate for conservative principles, Crump finds his greatest joy in promoting values such as Pro-Life, defending the Second Amendment, advocating for tax reduction, and championing the cause of free enterprise within his community.

Crump's journey into politics stems from a profound sense of duty to combat the mismanagement perpetuated by the Democratic party. He perceives rampant crime, deteriorating public education, and a scarcity of employment opportunities as pressing issues plaguing St. Louis city. For Crump, active involvement in politics isn't just a choice; it's a necessity to pave the way for positive change. He firmly believes that Republicans offer a beacon of hope and the promise of constructive transformation in the face of these challenges.

With unwavering determination, Robert J. Crump stands as a staunch advocate for conservative values and a catalyst for progress in Ward 23, striving to shape a brighter future for St. Louis city.

***Doug Beck (D):** Senator Doug Beck was elected in 2020 to represent the residents of the 1st Senatorial District in the Missouri Senate. Prior to his election to the Senate, he served two terms in the House of Representatives from 2016-2020. During his time in the House, he was the ranking minority member of the Economic Development and Workforce Development Committees and also served on the Veterans and Children and Families Committees.

Senator Beck defends workers and their rights, promotes public education, encourages job creation and champions affordable health care for all. He is an adamant supporter of public safety and first responders.

Aside from his legislative duties, Sen. Beck enjoys a 34-year career as a proud pipefitter and member of UA Local 562. He served on the Affton School Board for nine years, including two years as president. During his tenure, he expanded early childhood education and increased opportunities for students pursuing STEM careers.

Born and raised in St. Louis County, Sen. Beck graduated from Lindbergh High School in 1983 and attended St. Louis Community College. He has been married for 35 years to his wife, Marilyn, has two children and three grandchildren.

District 3

Mike Henderson (R): Rep. Mike Henderson, a Republican, represents St. Francois County (District 117) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2016.

In addition to his legislative duties, Rep. Henderson worked as an Educator Administrator from 1983-2014, and served as both a teacher and a coach.

Rep. Henderson graduated from high school in Jackson, Missouri in 1978, and went onto attend college at Murray State where he graduated with a Bachelor's in Science in 1982. He went back

to school in his later life and graduated with a Masters from Southeast Missouri State in 1990, and a Specialist certificate in 1992.

Born in Cape Girardeau, MO, Rep. Henderson resides in Desloge, MO with his wife and their two children.

Cyndi Buchheit-Courtway (R): Representative Cyndi Buchheit-Courtway, a Republican, represents parts of Festus, Hillsboro, De Soto, Valles Mines and Dittmer in Jefferson County (District 115). She was elected to her first two-year term in November 2020.

In addition to her legislative duties, Buchheit-Courtway works in the healthcare industry at Mercy Hospital Jefferson, where she was given the Dignity Award in 2019-2020.

Buchheit-Courtway graduated from St. Vincent de Paul High School in 1994 and earned an associate's degree from Jefferson County Community College in 2018.

Born July 7, 1976, in Perryville, Buchheit-Courtway currently lives in her hometown with her husband, David. They have five grown children and 16 grandchildren, and attend First Baptist Church Festus/Crystal City.

Doug Halbert (D): No bio found.

District 5

Robert Vroman (R): Robert Vroman, a resident of the Mark Twain I70 Industrial neighborhood, is a prominent figure in the real estate realm, specializing in Sheriff tax auctions. With a diverse portfolio comprising 17 properties scattered across North City, Vroman is deeply ingrained in the local real estate landscape.

Serving as the St. Louis Committeeman for Ward 22, Vroman is driven by a passionate commitment to provide a political alternative in an area where a single-party monopoly has severely constrained opportunities. Ward 22, situated along the City's northwest border, grapples with alarming rates of crime and numerous vacant properties. Vroman's primary concern lies in revitalizing the ward by fostering employment opportunities. He staunchly advocates for the public liquidation of the Land Reutilization Authority (LRA) inventory and the removal of City Hall barriers hindering business startups, envisioning a revival of the boarded storefronts lining MLK and Goodfellow.

Vroman's foray into politics began in 2007 when he joined the Republican Party while actively involved in the Ron Paul campaign. Since 2010, he has been a dedicated member of the City party, assuming the role of chairman in 2014 until his ward relocation in 2016. Additionally, Vroman served on the Missouri Republican Party from 2012 to 2022 and currently holds the position of Vice-Chairman of the City GOP since 2020.

Driven by a firm belief that detrimental policies have driven away hundreds of thousands of St. Louis City residents, Vroman advocates for active participation in electoral politics as the means

to effecting change. He emphasizes the importance of challenging decision-makers through electoral competition to bring about meaningful transformations in governance.

***Steven Roberts (D):** Senator Steven Roberts was sworn into office on Jan. 6, 2021, to serve the people of the 5th Senatorial District and selected as the Democratic Whip for the Minority Caucus. He previously served two terms in the Missouri House of Representatives, from 2017 to 2020. While in the House, he was selected by his colleagues to serve as Chairman of the Missouri Legislative Black Caucus.

Senator Roberts is a fourth-generation St. Louis native, whose parents and grandparents overcame segregation and discrimination to establish their careers. His mother, Dr. Eva Frazer, became a distinguished doctor and his father a respected attorney, St. Louis alderman and successful businessman. It is from his parents that he developed a strong sense of civic responsibility and social justice.

Senator Roberts holds a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Communication Studies from the University of Miami and received his law degree from Pepperdine University School of Law. While in law school, his experiences included working in the U.S. Congress as a legislative intern; as a certified law clerk with the District Attorney's Office in the City of Compton, California; assisting the Counsel to Secure Justice in New Delhi, India, to help victims of violent sexual assault; and in his final semester, he worked with a clinic in downtown Los Angeles helping refugees fleeing persecution in their country obtain asylum in the United States. After graduating law school, he joined AP Wireless Infrastructure Partners, LLC as a member of a team of attorneys responsible for managing over \$200 million of company assets. Following the events in Ferguson, Sen. Roberts returned to serve his community as a prosecutor for the City of St. Louis where he participated in over a hundred cases from minor weapons offenses to homicides.

In addition to his legislative duties, Sen. Roberts serves as a Captain with the Missouri Air National Guard in the JAG Corps. He graduated from the United States Air Force's Judge Advocate Staff Officer Course (JASOC) and was selected as the Senior Ranking Officer for the entire JASOC class of approximately 50 attorneys. The JAG Corps is an elite group of law professionals who provide a full range of legal services to the U.S. Air Force, the U.S. Space Force, airmen and guardians. He is also the managing partner of Roberts Law, LLC.

Senator Roberts is a member of the Missouri Bar and U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri, Mound City Bar Association and a founder and former president of the St. Louis chapter of the National Black Prosecutor's Association. He was recognized in 2021 by the Judicial Conference of Missouri, an organization of all the state's judges, for his efforts to protect and promote a fair, efficient and independent judiciary.

Senator Roberts currently resides in the City of St. Louis.

District 7

Joey LaSalle (R): Joey LaSalle, a dedicated advocate for progress and prosperity, is running for Missouri State Senate, District 7, committed to championing the interests of his community and ensuring a brighter future for all residents.

Proudly born and raised in Excelsior Springs, Joey embodies the hard work and community spirit that define our district. His deep pride in Missouri fuels his dedication to serving our community.

Joey graduated magna cum laude from the University of Missouri, with a double major in Finance and Real Estate. This comprehensive education provides him with a deep understanding of economic principles and strategic planning, which directly informs his approach to addressing our district's needs.

With over 20 years at Cerner Corporation in Healthcare and Hospital Revenue Operations Leadership and Strategy, and as a small business owner, Joey excels in navigating complex environments and finding practical solutions.

Just like you, as a resident of District 7 for over 15 years, Joey wants what's best for our neighborhoods and our district. He is dedicated to fostering a community where everyone feels safe, and where opportunities for growth and prosperity are accessible to all.

Pat Contreras (D): Contreras grew up in Kansas City, MO, and earned two undergraduate degrees from St. Louis University. After graduating, he returned to Kansas City to enroll in the Coro National Fellows Program in Public Affairs. He then moved to New York City to pursue a master of public administration from Columbia University, after which time he joined the U.S. State Department as a foreign services officer, serving in Pakistan and Mexico.

After his tour of duty in the foreign service, Contreras was appointed to the Jackson County MO Veterans Task Force in 2014.

Patty Lewis (D): Representative Patty Lewis, a Democrat, represents Jackson County (District 25) in the Missouri House of Representatives. She was elected to her first two-year term in November 2020.

In addition to her legislative service, Lewis has more than 20 years of health care experience as an ICU/Critical Care Registered Nurse, as well as a Health Care Executive. As an ICU nurse, Lewis cared for the most vulnerable patients in the hospital. As an executive, she was responsible for leading teams, building cases, and identifying solutions to improve patient safety for health care organizations across the world.

Lewis had the value of service and giving back to her community instilled in her at a very young age by her parents. She currently serves as vice president for her home association board, and serves on several other boards and committees. She also volunteers with a variety of organizations throughout the city.

Lewis was born and raised in Kansas City and currently resides there with her husband. During their free time, they enjoy spending time with their extended family including their nieces and nephews. They also enjoy being outdoors, camping, hiking and exploring the great state of Missouri.

District 9

Derron Black (R): Derron Black is a dedicated public servant committed to representing the people of Missouri with integrity and passion. Born and raised in St. Louis, Derron Black has deep roots in the community and a strong understanding of the issues facing its residents.

With a background in law and public service, Derron Black has a proven track record of advocating for justice and equity. He earned his law degree from Washington University in St. Louis and has worked as an attorney, fighting for the rights of workers and marginalized communities.

Derron Black is dedicated to addressing the pressing issues facing Missouri, including access to healthcare, criminal justice reform, and economic opportunity. He believes in creating a more just and equitable society where everyone has the opportunity to thrive.

As a candidate for Missouri's House of Representatives, Derron Black is committed to representing the values of his constituents and fighting for positive change in Jefferson City. He understands the importance of listening to the needs of the community and working collaboratively to find solutions to the challenges we face.

Derron Black is a tireless advocate for progress and equality, and he is ready to bring his passion and dedication to the Missouri House of Representatives. With his leadership and vision, Derron Black will work to build a brighter future for all Missourians.

***Barbara Anne Washington (D):** Senator Barbara Anne Washington, a Democrat, represents the 9th Senatorial District in the Missouri Senate. She was sworn into office on Jan. 6, 2021. Prior to being elected to the Senate, she served the residents of Jackson County in the House of Representatives for three years.

Senator Washington proudly supports increased economic development in her district – including preserving the notable “18th & Vine” district, increased funding for educational opportunities and universal health care for all. In her district, she regularly presents programs designed to bring attention to the importance of small business development, juvenile justice reform, minority mental health awareness, crime reduction and environmental preservation.

When she’s not advocating for her district, Sen. Washington volunteers with her beloved sorority, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. She is a member of the St. James United Methodist Church, the Metropolitan Community Colleges Board of Trustees, Urban Summit, Freedom, Inc., the Kansas City Boys/Girls Choir and the United Nations Association of Greater Kansas City.

In addition to her legislative duties, Sen. Washington is a practicing attorney who also possesses an MBA. She is a proud graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia’s famed School of

Journalism. She obtained her Master of Business Administration from Avila University and her Juris Doctorate from the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

Senator Washington is a lifelong Kansas City, Missouri, resident. She has one daughter and two grandsons.

Brandon Ellington (D): Brandon Ellington, currently, represents Kansas City 3rd district at-large. Ellington was elected to the city council in 2019. Ellington previously served as State Representative of the 22nd district which covered parts of Jackson County and Independence in the House of Representatives. Ellington was first elected during a special election to the House of Representative in 2011.

During his tenure in the House of Representatives, Rep. Ellington served as the Chairman of the Missouri Legislative Black Caucus (2015-2017), Vice Chairman of the Missouri Legislative Black Caucus (2013-2015) and ended his serves as the House Minority Whip (2018-2019).

Ellington has a proven track record of being an advocate for the underprivileged and disenfranchised. As a state rep. Ellington introduced legislation dealing with criminal justice reforms, increased educational opportunities, tax incentive reforms, full legalization and decriminalization of marijuana, judicial reform and expungement of records. Ellington has fought for Healthcare and Mental Health funding, increased protections for Seniors and Veterans.

As a council member Ellington has continued to represent the underserved and disenfranchised by working on ordinances dealing with redirecting city services, improving transparency on boards and commissions, redirecting grant allocation, creating the Office of Citizens engagement, working on housing and unhoused solution, rededicating PIAC monies to PIAC projects and changing structural challenges. As a councilmember Ellington has committed to community outreach by hosting monthly 1st Friday's meetings at Soiree' 18th Vine as well as 1st Saturday's district wide clean-ups.

Ellington has fought against laws that seek to weaken protections pertaining to discrimination in race relations, housing, employment, wages, women rights and LGBTQ targeted issues

Ellington lives in Kansas City, was born in Kansas City, he is a 1999 graduate of Paseo High School in Kansas City and attended Penn Valley University and the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Ellington currently serves Kansas City at the State level and is Looking to Serve as your Voice on the Kansas City Council

District 11

Aaron McMullen (R): Representative Aaron McMullen, a Republican, represents part of Jackson County (District 20) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2022.

In addition to his service as a legislator, McMullen is employed in the private sector with a defense consortium developing prototype systems for the U.S. Navy. Prior to that, he worked for the federal government in the General Services Administration and the Department of Defense as

a Contract Specialist and a Property Manager. McMullen also served in the U.S. Army as a paratrooper, seeing combat with his unit in Afghanistan.

A graduate of Blue Springs High School, McMullen obtained his bachelor's degree and a Master of Public Administration from the University of Missouri – Kansas City. He also obtained a Master of Legal Studies focused in Law from Washington University in St. Louis.

Born in Tulsa, Oklahoma, McMullen grew up in Independence where he currently resides. He and his wife have two children.

Joe Nicola (R): I have lived in the Kansas City area the majority of my life and currently live in Grain Valley, Missouri. My wife Renee and I were high school sweethearts and have been married for 39 years. I am a strong Constitutional Conservative. I love my country and believe it is the greatest country on earth. The United States Constitution is the supreme law of the land and the people are the sovereign. The Constitution enshrines our God given personal freedom and rights from a tyrannical government.

I respect all life and all people at every stage of life. I believe life begins at conception and that life should be cherished and protected. I value election integrity and security, limited government, fiscal responsibility, personal freedom, individual property ownership and rights, personal health care choice, education freedom without government strings attached and adequate funding for police and fire for a safe and secure society; for without security, there is no freedom.

When I joined the US Navy Seabees in 1984, I took a lifelong oath to protect this nation from enemies both foreign and domestic. An oath that never expires.

I started a small business, a motorcycle shop named Vision Cycles, in Kansas City, Missouri in 1986 at the age of 22 and ran a profitable shop for nearly a decade.

I served as a youth minister for nine years from 1990-1999 and am now serving as the founding pastor of New Covenant Ministries in Independence, Missouri, which my wife and I along with a few couples started on August 1, 1999. I worked for the Blue Springs School District from 1999-2017 and authored two theological books.

I have volunteered as a mentor to young men with the Youth Friends Organization in Independence, Missouri. I have also volunteered with Habitat for Humanity, the Salvation Army, City Union Mission, the Independence School District and several other non-profits over many years.

In all, I have forty years of ministry and business leadership experience including leading teams overseas for ministry and humanitarian purposes and currently lead a ministry leaders prayer group in Independence, Missouri.

Over the past few years we have seen our freedom and rights eroded. Un-elected bureaucrats and health professionals in partnership with tyrannical politicians have issued mandates to control

our lives, destroy our businesses and close down our churches. There are many wolves in sheep clothing. We have enemies both foreign and domestic trying to destroy our nation and our state. I will be faithful to the oath I took many years ago to defend freedom for all our citizens. I will work hard every day to stop fraud, corruption and abuse. The People are the sovereign and the Supreme Law of the land is the US Constitution, which is in danger of becoming obsolete. I am running for Missouri Senate in the 11th District to help protect and preserve all our rights and freedoms.

David Martin (R): David Martin is a father, a truck driver, and a conservative running to be a voice for Jackson County in the Missouri State Senate.

Like many Jackson Countians, David is tired of out-of-touch politicians who look the other way while ordinary Missourians struggle as a result of the problems they created.

David is running to be a problem solver and a tireless conservative champion for the people of Grain Valley, Independence, Kansas City and Oak Grove.

David believes that all students deserve a quality education, regardless of their ZIP Code. As your Senator, David will work to empower parents – not politicians – to make decisions about their children’s future. Additionally, David will work to remove Critical Race Theory and radical gender ideology from our public school curricula. Just like you have to balance your checkbook, the government should have to balance theirs. As your Senator, David will work to reduce unnecessary spending, eliminate waste, and pass the savings back to you in the form of lower taxes. David will also work to cut unnecessary red tape, so our local small businesses can thrive without government interference. As your Senator, David will support law enforcement by making sure they have the tools they need to stop crime, and fight back against woke liberals who want to defund them.

Robert Sauls (D): Representative Robert E. Sauls, a Democrat, represents the eastern part of Independence in Jackson County (District 21) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2018.

Prior to his legislative duties, Sauls was a Jackson County Prosecuting Attorney and a public defender. He also served as an assistant staff judge advocate in the United States Air Force.

Sauls graduated from William Chrisman High School in 1998. He received a bachelor’s degree in International Business from William Jewell College in 2002 and a juris doctorate from Thomas M. Cooley Law School in 2008.

Born in Independence, Sauls is a fourth generation resident and currently resides there with his son, Jackson.

District 13

***Angela Walton Mosley (D):** Senator Angela Walton Mosley, a trailblazer in Missouri’s political landscape, is a dedicated public servant that has served the 13th Senatorial District since January 6, 2021. As the first Black woman elected to represent the 13th Senatorial District in the

Missouri Senate, she carries on a family legacy of distinguished public service, with her father, late stepmother, sister and brother-in-law having all contributed to the dynamic leadership in the Missouri House of Representatives.

Senator Angela Walton Mosley's roots in St. Louis run deep, born to Elbert A. Walton, Jr., and Sandra Walton, a retired school teacher. Hailing from the neighborhood of Walnut Park, she is a proud product of St. Louis Public Schools, shaping her education journey through Visual and Performing Arts at Shaw (elementary), Marquette (middle) and Central (high school). Her pursuit of higher education led her to Grambling State University, a beacon of excellence among Historically Black Universities, where she earned a distinguished Bachelor of Science degree.

Beyond her academic achievements, Senator Mosley is a powerful force in both politics and community service. She brings over three decades of legislative expertise. As an influential member of the esteemed Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., she embodies a commitment to excellence. Her vision for community change casts positive ripple effects that shape the landscape and future trajectory in her first term in the Missouri Senate representing the 13th Senatorial District. She is a staunch supporter for labor unions and passionately advocates for safeguarding workers' rights in fostering a fair and equitable workplace. She is also a member of Communication Workers of America -CWA Local 6300.

Senator Mosley's journey is a testament of her resilience, and her personal accomplishments speak to her character, leadership and commitment to education and community engagement. Unified through purpose, her marriage of 30 years to her husband, State Representative Jay Mosley, etched their names in history in the Missouri Legislature for both love and legislative prowess. In her inaugural legislative session, she soared to new heights alongside her husband as they jointly championed House Bill 402—a groundbreaking achievement that marked them as the first married couple in the Missouri General Assembly to pass such a milestone. This historic bill safeguards the privacy of state lottery winners by prohibiting the publication of their identifying information, a testament to their commitment to both public service and protecting citizens' rights.

Senator Mosley's impact transcends the halls of legislation, exemplified by orchestrating a triumphant COVID-19 vaccination clinic that benefited over 2,000 North County residents on March 20, 2021. She champions community engagement and commitment to constituents by actively addressing daily challenges faced by the people she serves. Her direct line of communication is exemplified through thoughtfully organized town halls and engagement events in building strong community connections. She exhibits the true essence of leadership by making a tangible difference, turning advocacy into action and ensuring constituent voices are heard by providing immediate active responses.

Senator Mosley's unwavering dedication to her constituents has resulted in securing over \$25 million for transformative projects in St. Louis County, such as supporting local organizations in efforts uplifting communities in partnership with the Covering House, Bellefontaine Neighbors and her support for the demolition of the Jamestown Mall. These accomplishments are not just line items on a budget, but represent her commitment to revitalizing the very fabric of her community.

The 13th Senatorial District encompasses various cities and unincorporated areas in St. Louis County, including Bellefontaine Neighbors, Blackjack, Castlepoint, Country Club Hills, Flordell Hills, Florissant, Glasgow Village, Hathaway, Jennings, Moline Acres, Old Jamestown and Riverview.

Chantelle Nickson-Clark (D): State Representative Chantelle Nickson-Clark represents part of St. Louis County (District 67) in the Missouri House of Representatives. She was elected as the first African American female of her district in November 2022.

Born in St. Louis, Nickson-Clark currently resides in Florissant with her fiancé, Antonio, and beautiful daughter.

Nickson-Clark is a 1995 graduate of Hazelwood East High School. She continued her studies in Community Research Fellows Training in Public Health and Community Partnership Basic Human Subjects Research Training at Washington University School of Medicine.

In addition to her legislative service, Nickson-Clark is the owner of A&C Happy Hour Wine & Spirits in Florissant. She also owns and operates Socially Her Chateaux Wine Garden located within her district. Previously she has held a leadership position in the mortgage industry with over 27 years of experience.

A two-time breast cancer survivor, Nickson-Clark has worked tirelessly as a breast cancer advocate for 12 years. She founded The Pink Angels Foundation and received many community awards for her vigorous efforts to those diagnosed. Her non-profit organization continues to be a lifeline to women diagnosed with breast cancer. Nickson-Clark has made a high-level commitment to serving her community.

District 15

Mark Harder (R): Mark Harder is a proven, conservative standard bearer with a track record of delivering results for St. Louis County.

Mark is one of us. He's a lifelong member of our community. He raised his family here. He's built a career out of making homeownership a reality for hundreds of our neighbors right here. Mark has also seen the destruction and chaos happening in St. Louis County because of radical progressive liberals like Sam Page. That's why he's fought tirelessly to hold the Page Administration accountable during his time on the County Council. He's fought to stop out-of-control mandates and spending, and Mark will continue that fight for freedom and fiscal responsibility in the Missouri Senate.

Mark knows it's more important than ever that St. Louis County be where our kids and grandkids want to start their own families and see their dreams become a reality. Unfortunately, because of the failed policies of the left, our sons and daughters are being driven out of St. Louis County to find better opportunities.

In the Missouri Senate Mark will lead efforts to energize and maximize economic development in our region. He will also advocate for honest conservative solutions to improve our infrastructure, the key to job creation and opportunity.

Too often, politicians are focused on their next election. Hopping from office to office, focused on their own future and their lobbyist friends in Jefferson City. That's not Mark. Mark isn't a politician. He's a conservative husband, grandfather, and father who delivers.

Jim Bowlin (R): Jim Bowlin earned scholarships to be the first person in his family to go to college. He went on to study law, ultimately obtaining a law degree from the University of Missouri.

Jim has worked as a laborer and later built a small business from the ground up to a successful company. His company provides insurance to physicians at a low cost so they stay in our community and serve our families.

He was elected to serve his community as mayor where he has distinguished himself to provide critical services including adequately funding the police while keeping taxes low.

Jim has never forgotten that when he worked at his local bank as a teenager he was responsible for other people's money, a lesson he has applied as mayor of his community.

Guided by his faith he has worked hard for everything his entire life—never taken anything for granted, especially the trust people have put in him, his company, and his community service.

David Gregory (R): David Gregory is an investigative attorney and accountant. In 2016, he was elected to the Missouri House of Representatives. Right away, David's investigative acumen took off as he was named "Freshman Legislator of the Year" for outstanding work on preventing government waste, fraud and abuse.

But, David did not stop there. He concluded his first term by using his unique investigation skills in a bold, new way. Conducting Missouri's first Fiscal Opportunity Audit, David's novel investigation into the Department of Revenue found tens of millions of dollars in potential savings for Missouri taxpayers.

In 2021, David became the chairman of his own special investigations committee. Handpicked by the Speaker of the House, David led Missouri's Special Committee on Government Accountability and enacted new initiatives to investigate price fixing and other anti-competitive practices in the agriculture industry. As a result, other states are being encouraged to follow David's lead and conduct their own agricultural investigations.

Most importantly, David is a Christian. After witnessing a local government use the COVID-19 virus to abuse and bully churches, David filed a pro bono lawsuit challenging the Executive Order imposed by St. Louis County Executive, Sam Page, which required churches to limit religious gatherings. David argued – and believes – that our First Amendment rights to practice our faith and assemble as a body are fundamental constitutional rights.

David's pursuit of justice through legal action doesn't stop there. David has conducted multiple fraud investigations and led his clients to millions of dollars in jury verdicts. David Gregory ran for State Auditor.

David is a lifelong Missourian and he lives in Chesterfield with his wife, Paige. He has an accounting degree, a Masters of Business Administration, and a Juris Doctor from Saint Louis University.

Joe Pereles (D): Joe Pereles is a problem solver and job creator who is devoted to public service. These qualities are demonstrated by his lifetime of accomplishments in business, law, and service to others. As a volunteer, Joe has dedicated 37 years to The American Red Cross in key administrative posts and in the field. When people are hurting, Joe Pereles responds. His fearlessness and generosity of spirit take hold.

The nickname "Fearless" came from Joe's high school friends. It was more than just a rhyme. Even then, Joe was always ready to help overcome tough problems or challenges. After graduating from college early, Magna Cum Laude, "Fearless" Joe further sharpened his skills.

At Washington University, Joe took on the challenge of pursuing a joint law and business degree. His JD/MBA set him on a trajectory that included 13 years at a major St. Louis law firm, and then 29 years as general counsel and vice president for development at Drury Hotels.

Joe spent decades leading hotel development for Drury Hotels. He knows how to listen, build consensus, and get things done. In the legislature, Joe will use his experience to restore common sense and pass policies that work for everyday Missourians.

As your State Senator, Joe will work with anyone who has a good idea and wants to get things done - no matter what side of the aisle they are on.

Jeff Coleman (L): Representative Jeff Coleman, represents part of Jackson County (District 32) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2018.

In addition to his legislative duties, Coleman is a financial advisor specializing in retirement income.

Coleman has served as mayor pro tem on the Grain Valley Board of Aldermen, and as the president of both the Grain Valley Economic Development Corporation and the Grain Valley Industrial Development Committee. He also served as the vice president of the Grain Valley School Board for more than seven years. Coleman also is a past president of the Grain Valley Chamber of Commerce. In 2012, he was named Grain Valley Citizen of Year.

Coleman is an active member of Abundant Life Church in Lee Summit. He is a proud member of the NRA. Coleman attended Oak Grove High School and Graceland University. Born in

Independence, Coleman currently resides in Grain Valley with his wife, Debbie. They have seven children.

District 17

Jerry Nolte (R): Jerry currently serves as the Clay County Commissioner. With a focus on addressing critical public safety needs and helping families recover from inflation, Nolte emphasizes these cornerstones in his campaign.

Throughout his tenure as Clay County Commissioner, Nolte has been a steadfast advocate for crucial issues affecting the county. His platform reflects a focus on pressing matters such as illegal immigration, border security, and combating human trafficking. Drawing on his experience as Chair of the Immigration Committee during his time in the Missouri House, Nolte spearheaded efforts to tighten immigration restrictions and enhance border security, ensuring the safety and security of his constituents.

Nolte's dedication to responsible government spending and tax reduction is evident in his record of achievement. He has consistently advocated for prudent fiscal policies, leading to property tax decreases and ensuring a tangible return on investment for taxpayers. Nolte's commitment to promoting economic growth and job creation led to his sponsorship of the Manufacturing Jobs Act, which played a pivotal role in retaining the Ford Claycomo plant and securing significant investments in the district's economy.

In addressing general crime and public safety, Nolte has demonstrated unwavering support for law enforcement and initiatives to combat crime. His efforts to secure funding for vital law enforcement resources underscore his commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of the community.

Commissioner Jerry Nolte's candidacy represents a continuation of his tireless advocacy for the people of Clay County and a testament to his unwavering commitment to effective governance and principled leadership.

Maggie Nurrenbern (D): Representative Maggie Nurrenbern, a Democrat, represents Clay County (District 15) in the Missouri House of Representatives. She was elected to her first two-year term in November 2020.

Prior to her legislative duties, Nurrenbern taught at North Kansas City High School and at University Academy.

She is a lifelong resident of Clay County, graduating from Smithville High School in 2002. She holds a bachelor's degree in Communication - Journalism from Truman State University and a master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction from UMKC. She is certified to teach Spanish and TESOL.

Nurrenbern was a Peace Corps volunteer in Ecuador from 2007 – 2009. She is a board member for Feed Northland Kids, and a member of Gladstone Chamber of Commerce, Northland

Chamber of Commerce, Oakwood Community Association, Greater Kansas City Women's Political Caucus and St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church.

Nurrenbern lives in Kansas City with her husband, Gregg. They have three sons: Luke, Eli and Henry.

District 19

Stephen Webber (D): Born and raised in Columbia, Missouri, Stephen has deep roots in the community and a passion for making a difference.

A proud graduate of Hickman High School, Stephen went on to attend the University of Missouri, where he earned a degree in history. After college, Stephen served in the United States Marine Corps, where he learned the importance of leadership, discipline, and service to others.

Following his military service, Stephen returned to Columbia to pursue a career in public service. He served as a state representative in the Missouri House of Representatives, where he fought tirelessly for issues such as education funding, healthcare access, and economic development.

Stephen is committed to building a stronger, more prosperous future for Boone County. He is dedicated to working collaboratively with local leaders and community members to address pressing issues such as infrastructure, economic development, and affordable housing. With his passion for public service and his commitment to the people of Boone County, Stephen Webber is ready to lead with integrity and vision.

District 21

Kurtis Gregory (R): Representative Kurtis Gregory, a Republican, represents Johnson, Pettis, and Saline counties (District 51). He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2020.

Gregory owns a farm alongside his wife, Kella, and his parents, Roger, and Ruth. Together, they farm corn and soybeans on 1,100 acres and custom feed 2,400 pigs for a local family-owned hog operation. Gregory has served on the board of directors for Missouri Corn Growers and is a local delegate for MFA Oil. He is also a member of the Saline County Farm Bureau, Missouri Corn Growers Association, and Missouri Cattlemen's. Gregory was awarded the Farm Bureau Friend of Agriculture Award in 2022 and was in the Corn Growers inaugural CornRoots Leadership Class in 2013.

Before going back to the farm, Gregory also had a short stint in the NFL with the Carolina Panthers. Kurtis played on the University of Missouri football team from 2006-2009. He played Left Tackle in 2006 and then started 41 straight games at Right Guard from 2007 until he graduated. In 2007, his Tigers beat Arkansas in the Cotton Bowl and finished the season ranked 4th in the nation. In 2008, they beat Northwestern in the Alamo Bowl, and in 2009, Gregory served as team captain.

Representative Gregory has been a national pioneer in Name, Image, and Likeness legislation passing multiple influential bills in his time in the legislature. In 2023, along with SEC

Commissioner Greg Sanky, and Condoleezza Rice, Sports Illustrated named Gregory one of the 25 Most Intriguing Suits in College Football.

Born in Blackburn, Missouri, Gregory currently resides in Marshall with his wife, Kella, and three children, Brook, Landon, and Henley, where they attend Calvary Baptist Church. Gregory is a graduate of Santa Fe R-10 High School and earned his Bachelor's degree and a Master's degree in General Agriculture from the University of Missouri.

Doug Richey (R): Representative Doug Richey, a Republican, represents part of Clay County (District 39) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2018.

In addition to his legislative duties, Richey is a pastor, law enforcement chaplain and adjunct professor. He spent eight years in the Missouri Army National Guard as a combat engineer.

After obtaining an undergraduate degree from the University of Central Missouri, Richey earned three master's degrees and a doctorate from the Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (MBTS).

Richey was president of the national alumni of MBTS, state alumni president for MBTS, and the conference president for Missouri Baptist Convention Pastors Conference. He is a current member of the Excelsior Springs and Kearney Chambers of Commerce, numerous local boards and Pisgah Baptist Church.

Born in Norfolk, Virginia, Richey currently resides in Excelsior Springs with his wife, Jennifer, and their two daughters.

Jim Bates (D): Jim is a lifelong Missourian. After my parents' divorce, I grew up in two distinct parts of this great state. During the school year I lived with my Mother and Step-Father who was a Wal-Mart store manager in Ava, MO. I spent the summers with my Dad, a farmer and later a truck driver, in north central Missouri near Mexico.

I graduated from Missouri State University with a degree in Political Science and a minor in Sociology. During college I served in the US Army Reserves and the Oklahoma National Guard.

In 2005 my family moved to Liberty and fell in love with the city and the Northland. I am married to Leslie, an elementary school counselor. We have three children together. Our oldest is a graduate of Liberty High School and a student at Missouri State. Our second daughter is a graduate of Liberty High School and is attending Missouri State. And our son is a junior at Liberty High School.

My whole professional career has been devoted to sales and customer service. I believe too many of our elected officials forget that this is a service job. I will work to serve you, the community, the district, and Missouri to the best of my ability.

District 23

Adam Schnelting (R): Representative Adam Schnelting, a Republican, represents eastern St. Charles County (District 69) in the Missouri House of Representatives.

Additionally, Schnelting is a Realtor and Minister. He currently serves as an Army Combat Engineer in the National Guard.

Schnelting, whose family came to America in 1628, is a 7th-generation Missourian and a member of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

He attended State Fair Community College, Oklahoma Wesleyan University, and Rhema Bible College. He obtained his degree in Christian Ministry from Oklahoma Wesleyan University and has a degree in Political Science. He received a Baccalaureate degree from the University of Missouri–St. Louis.

Schnelting currently resides in St. Charles with his wife, Christine, their daughter, Catherine, and son, George.

Dan O'Connell (R): Dan O'Connell was born in Louisville, Kentucky. He studied architectural engineering at the University of Missouri, Rolla and civil engineering at Missouri University of Science and Technology. O'Connell also earned an MBA from Webster University in 2013. His career experience includes working as a field engineer and consultant.

Dan is pro life, pro education, pro gun, pro conservation, pro union, and pro business.

Rich Chrismer (R): Served in the United State Air Force from 1966 to 1972. Proudly served three tours of duty (three years) in the Vietnam War from 1967 through 1970, of which he was honored with various medals, including three Bronze and two Silver Service Stars attachments to his Vietnam Campaign Ribbon and the 'V' for valor attachment to his Unit Citation. Honorably discharged in 1972.

From years 1972 through 1996 he was a dedicated employee of the General Electric Company.

Degree in Business Administration. Missouri University, St. Louis- Chancellor's Certificate and the Comprehensive Chancellor's Certificate of Public Administration. George Washington University Certificate in Public Leadership. Currently enrolled at Lindenwood University for Degree in Political Science, emphasizes on Constitution law, in preparation for Law School.

Married for over 52 years to his wife Mary, and they have four children; eldest son Rich, a former Communications Director for Senator Jim Talent and Deputy Chief of Staff for Communications for Missouri Governor Matt Blunt. Eldest daughter Anna, stay at home mom with two daughters; Laura (Sister Peter Marie), Teacher and now Administrator for her Congregation. Mark (Father Mark Chrismer) Ordained in the Archdioceses of St. Louis.

Phil Christofanelli (R): Rep. Phil Christofanelli, a Republican, represents part of St. Charles County, including part of St. Peters, where he now resides. He was elected to his first term in November 2016.

Christofanelli graduated from Washington University in St. Louis, where he received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science in 2011 and a Juris Doctorate in 2021. Prior to his election to the House, he served on the Missouri Republican State Executive Committee. Additionally, he worked in the United States House of Representatives as a Press Secretary to a Member of Congress.

Christofanelli currently works with Markell Estate Planning [and Elder Law] in Saint Charles County, focusing on wills, trusts, probate, estate planning, and small business law.

Matt Williams (D): Born and raised in rural Missouri, Matt understands the value of family and of working hard to provide for his family. Matt moved to St. Louis County and then to St. Charles to pursue a career in Information Systems and Project Management. He later returned to school to become an attorney.

In 2015, he married his wife, Stephanie, a middle-school teacher of Family and Consumer Sciences. She is passionate about teaching and helping students achieve. In 2021, their son, Sebastian, was born.

Matt has always been a member of the community, ready to assist and help his fellow citizen. He has worked on multiple grassroots efforts to raise awareness and champion support for local candidates, zoning issues, and other causes.

Matt holds both a Bachelor and a Master of Science Degree in Computer Information Systems. In 2019, he graduated from Saint Louis University School of Law with his Juris Doctris.

Prior to becoming an attorney, Matt worked as a Project Manager in Information Systems for over a decade. He has managed strategic planning efforts for multiple organizations and helped to define standards and procedures for planning and project implementation.

Over the course of his life, Matt has developed a strong and diverse skillset, including leadership, communication, negotiation. He wants to bring that skillset into service for his community. When elected, he will use everything he has learned to represent the people of District 23 in Jefferson City.

District 25

***Jason Bean (R):** Senator Jason Bean was elected to the Missouri Senate in 2020 and represents Butler, Carter, Dunklin, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Shannon and Stoddard counties. He is a fifth generation Missourian raised in the Bootheel, and he currently lives on the same farm where he grew up and learned how to farm.

Senator Bean attended the University of Missouri – Columbia where he majored in agronomy and minored in animal science. After graduating, he worked hard to turn the family farm into a successful agribusiness.

As an agribusinessman, Sen. Bean understands the need to keep high-paying permanent jobs in Missouri, as well as the importance of our businesses competing in the global marketplace. From 2002-2011, Senator Bean served on the United Soybean Board and participated in trade missions around the world to increase American soybean exports. He also worked with the USA Rice Producers Board and the National Cotton Council to increase global exports of cotton and rice, further promoting Missouri agricultural products in the global economy.

Senator Bean has previously served as interim superintendent of the University of Missouri’s top agricultural research facility. He was also elected chair of the Advisory Board of MU’s Fisher Delta Research Center, which consists of seven research labs, eight greenhouses and five different research locations designed to help farmers all across southeast Missouri.

He received the 2015 Missouri Governor’s Award for Agricultural Achievement and the 2019 Southern Cotton Ginners Agricultural Achievement Award. He is a Missouri Farm Bureau member and was appointed 2016 to serve as a Missouri Agriculture and Small Business Development Authority Commissioner.

Senator Bean loves the outdoors and is an avid fisher, hunter and lifetime member of the NRA. He grew up attending Peach Orchard Baptist Church, which was built by his grandfather, and now attends Holcomb United Methodist Church. He has three children: Colin, Claire and Otto.

Chuck Banks (D): Chuck Banks currently serves as the Manager at Coldwater Development Company, LLC. Prior to his position at Coldwater Development Company, Chuck served as the County Executive for Jefferson County, Missouri. Before that, he served as the City Manager for the City of Pevely.

Chuck studied at the University of Missouri - St. Louis (UMSL).

District 27

Jacob Turner (R): Jacob Turner is a Constitutional conservative Christian and a Marine Corps veteran. He was born and raised in Doniphan, MO. After completing high school he joined the United States Marine Corps, serving in joint task force operations in the Middle East. After two enlistments Jacob returned to Missouri to start a small business which still provides jobs in Southeast Missouri.

Jacob and his wife, Christina, settled in Jackson, MO, with their two daughters and are members of Immaculate Conception Parish in Jackson, MO. Upon leaving the military, Jacob still felt the call to serve his community; he obtained a position as a firefighter and returned to school to become a paramedic. After graduating with an Associate Degree he served as a paramedic in Cape Girardeau County and Scott County.

Jacob Turner will be running on the Republican primary ticket for Missouri State Senate District 27 in 2024. Jacob's focus is safeguarding the rights and liberties of the people. Jacob stands firmly for core values such as free speech, freedom of religion, privacy rights, and the right to bear arms. He staunchly opposes abortion.

Jamie Burger (R): Representative Jamie Burger, a Republican, represents Scott and Mississippi Counties (District 148) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2020.

Prior to serving in the legislature, Burger spent 37 years, including 30 in management, at Buzzi Unicem USA, Inc. He also served 18 years on the Scott County Commission, including 12 years as Presiding Commissioner.

Burger was born in Sikeston and raised in New Hamburg, where he was a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church. He is now a member of St. Denis Catholic Church in Benton, where he serves as Lector and Eucharistic Minister. He is also a member of the NRA, Area Chambers of Commerce and the Knights of Columbus.

Burger currently lives in Benton with his wife, Sherry. They have three children, six grandchildren and two bonus grandchildren.

Chris Dodson Dinkins (R): Rep. Chris Dinkins, a Republican, represents the counties of Wayne, Shannon, Madison, Reynolds, Iron, Washington, and Bollinger (District 144) in the Missouri House of Representatives. She was elected to her first term in a special election in February of 2018.

In addition to her legislative duties, Rep. Dinkins is a former public school teacher. She and her husband are small business owners in Reynolds County where they own and operate a resort on the Black River. Prior to her election, Rep. Dinkins served as a legislative assistant in the House of Representatives for Representatives Jim Neely and Paul Fitzwater.

Rep. Dinkins is a graduate of Clearwater R-1 High School. She received an Associate's degree from Mineral Area College and attended Southeast Missouri University and Central Methodist University, where she received her Bachelor of Arts and her Master of Education from Webster University.

Born in Piedmont, Missouri, Rep. Dinkins resides in Lesterville with her husband Dave Dinkins. They are members of Happy Zion General Baptist Church of Annapolis, have two children, Joshua (Blair) Dinkins, and Brett Dinkins, and are proud grandparents to Greyson, Asher, and Caroline Dinkins.

District 29

***Mike Moon (R):** Senator Mike Moon, a Republican from Ash Grove, represents the 29th Senatorial District in the Missouri Senate. He represented the 157th District in the Missouri House of Representatives from 2013-2020. Senator Moon has been named the Most Constitutionally Voting Legislator by the Locke and Smith Foundation from 2017-2019 in the

House, and from 2020-2022 in the Senate. He received a 100 percent rating from the Missouri Alliance for Freedom in 2014.

Senator Moon was born in Kannapolis, North Carolina, and graduated from Western Branch High School in Chesapeake, Virginia. After graduation, he attended Baptist Bible College in Springfield, Missouri, where he met his beloved wife of 43 years, Denise. Senator Moon received his bachelor's degree in secondary education from Southwest Missouri State University in 1985. He and Denise have five children, Amanda, Bryan, Erin, David and Jason, and are the proud grandparents of four beautiful granddaughters and two handsome grandsons.

Senator Moon spent 27 years in marketing for Mercy Hospital and currently raises cattle on his farm in Lawrence County. He is an active member of High Street Baptist Church, where he serves as a deacon and Sunday school teacher and serves on mission committees.

Susan Haralson (R): Susan Haralson moved to Ozark with her family at a young age to escape the crime in California. Her parents decided to raise their children in the Bible belt. She attended Ozark Schools until she graduated in 1978. She then worked her way through School of the Ozarks with a degree in Mass Communication. Her first job out of college was at KWTO radio in Springfield, then on to KSPR where she produced the five and ten newscasts, anchored some weekend newscasts and manned the Assignment Editor desk.

Susan and her partner then purchased a small homecare agency in 1992. Through many ups and downs, Premier Home Health Care, Inc is still running strong and providing many jobs to Missourians across the state.

Throughout her life, she has been a part of or at the center of several non-profits that have helped her give back. One of her many passions is Polio Eradication and as Rotary District Chair, she works to help 52 Rotary clubs find new ways to support those efforts. Another of her passion's is the Christian County 100 Club which she helped create in 2021. "Our local law enforcement, emergency services, fireman and sheriff's department put their lives on the line for us every time they respond to a call. Our CC100Club collects funds to support families of those who are lost in the line of duty. We provide immediate financial support to their families, and it's the least we can do."

Susan serves on the Ozark Chamber Board of Directors, CC 100 Club Board as Vice President, Rotary Zone Communications team, National Day of Prayer, is a member of Springfield Sunrise Rotary Club, and serves on the Stewardship committee at her church.

She and her husband Shannon have been happily married 22 years. She has one son Ryan and one grandson Aidan who attends Nixa Junior High School.

For fun, Susan competes in Powerlifting competitions. She qualified for the National Competition in Las Vegas this coming June. Stay tuned.

Ron Monnig (D): Ron Monnig, a lifelong Missourian and resident of Eagle Rock, has announced his candidacy for the 29th District of the Missouri Senate. Monnig, a retired small

business owner and former city council member, has dedicated more than 45 years to serving his community in various appointed, elected, and volunteer positions driven by his deep passion for making things better for his neighbors.

“I am running for the Missouri Senate to address the real issues faced by the people of Barry, McDonald, Lawrence and Christian counties that have been ignored for too long,” Monnig said. “Our community deserves a Senator that will work with their peers to make things easier for area families, not use our lives to score political points.”

A trusted and savvy small businessman, Monnig served nine terms as a Slater City Council member, has served on the National League of Cities Economic Development Committee, and has led Missouri delegations at congressional conferences. Monnig was a member of the Governor’s Commission on Intergovernmental Cooperation and served as a member of Governor Nixon’s Citizens Transition Advisory Committee and Inaugural Celebration Committee.

District 31

***Rick Brattin (R):** Senator Rick Brattin was elected in 2020 to represent Missouri’s 31st Senatorial District. He is a former auditor of Cass County and previously served four terms in the Missouri House of Representatives, from 2010-2018, representing the 55th District in Cass County. During his time in the House, Sen. Brattin served as majority floor whip, chaired the Special Committee on Government Oversight and was the senior member of both the Local Government and the Veterans committees.

Senator Brattin is a native of Cass County, growing up in Greenwood. He graduated from Lee’s Summit High School and then joined the United States Marine Corps, where he served for six years as a non-commissioned officer. Senator Brattin has owned and operated a small construction company for 14 years and maintains a 40-acre farm in central Cass County, north of Harrisonville.

Senator Brattin and his wife, Athena, reside in Harrisonville with their five amazing children: Mariah, Kayla, Rick, Garrett and Hannah. He and his family are devoted Christians and members of Abundant Life Church in Lee’s Summit. Senator Brattin is active in several groups and organizations across the 31st Senatorial District. In his free time, Sen. Brattin enjoys being involved in his childrens’ sporting events, working around his farm, hunting and enjoying Missouri’s wildlife.

Michael Haffner (R): Representative Mike Haffner, a Republican, represents Cass County (District 55) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2018.

In addition to his legislative duties, Haffner owns and operates a Christmas Tree Farm.

Haffner served as an officer in the United States Navy. Before retiring he was the Commanding Officer of an F/A-18 Hornet Squadron and led combat air patrols over New York City immediately following 9-11. During his Commanding Officer tour, his squadron was recognized by all of Naval Aviation with the prestigious Admiral Wade McClusky award as the best attack

squadron in the United States Navy, and with the Battle “E” award as the best F/A 18 Hornet squadron on the east coast.

As a highly decorated Naval Officer, Haffner was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, four individual Air Medals, five Strike Flight Air Medals, and three Navy Commendation Medals for bold initiative, uncommon valor and loyal devotion to duty in direct combat.

His other awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, four Navy Commendation Medals (seven total awards, three with Combat “V”), Navy Achievement Medal, as well as numerous other unit, expeditionary and individual awards.

Haffner earned his bachelor’s degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Accounting from Cleveland State University and a master’s degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College.

Haffner is a lifetime member of the VFW, a member of the NRA, and an elder on sabbatical at Cornerstone Community Church in Harrisonville.

He and his wife, Teresa, reside in Pleasant Hill and have three children, two daughters-in-law, and five grandchildren.

Dan Houx (R): Representative Dan Houx, a Republican, represents part of Johnson County (District 54) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2016, and reelected in 2018, 2020, and 2022.

In addition to his legislative duties, Houx has been a real estate developer/ homebuilder and a licensed realtor.

He is the past chair of the Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce, a current member of Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce, Whiteman Air Force Base Military Affairs Committee, Base Community Council, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and a past board member on Johnson County Economic Development Corporation.

Houx has been honored with the 2015 Warrensburg Chamber Member of the Year Award and the 2018 St. Louis Homebuilders Association award. He has also received the 2022 Legislative Leadership Award Missouri Co-ops, 2022 Spirit of Enterprise Award Missouri Chamber and multiple recognitions from the American Conservative Union Foundation, Farm Bureau, Missouri Corn and Johnson County “Climb”.

Houx graduated from Kemper Military School in Boonville, MO.

Houx was born in Warrensburg, MO and is the 6th generation of his family born in Johnson County and the 7th generation to live there. He currently resides in Warrensburg with his wife.

Raymond L. James (D): Raymond James was born in Dayton, Ohio. He served in the United States Army from 1980 to 2001. He earned an associate degree from Central Texas College in

1985. James has experience working as an environmental specialist. He has been affiliated with VFW, American Legion, ACLU, and NAACP.

District 33

Travis Smith (R): Representative Travis Smith, a Republican, represents Douglas, Ozark Stone, and Taney Counties (District 155) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2020.

Prior to serving in the legislature, Smith was a private developer and high school track coach. He had the pleasure of coaching more than 20 all-state athletes in Track and Field.

Smith earned a BA in English from the University of Missouri, and an MBA from William Woods University. He currently serves as the secretary for the Ozarks Healthcare Board.

Born in West Plains, Smith now resides in Twin Bridges with his wife, Karen. They have four children.

Brad Hudson (R): Representative Brad Hudson, a Republican, represents Stone and Christian Counties (District 138) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2018.

In addition to his legislative duties, Hudson is the pastor to the congregation at Blessing Heights Worship Center. He also served as the Stone County Assessor after being first elected to the position in 2008 and re-elected in 2012 and 2016.

Rep. Hudson is a member and past president of the Rotary Club of Table Rock Lake, He is past president of the Southwest Missouri Assessors Association and is a member of the Table Rock Lake Chamber of Commerce, as well as the Missouri Farm Bureau and the National Rifle Association. Hudson served for several years as the coordinator for the Stone County National Day of Prayer.

Rep. Hudson received a bachelor's degree in Biblical Studies from the Midwest College of Theology in 2011. He also completed more than 350 hours of education and training during his tenure as the Stone County Assessor.

A lifelong resident of southwest Missouri, Rep. Hudson grew up on his family's small farm near Cape Fair. He still resides there today with his wife, Carissa, and their two children, Bethany and Daniel.