



**MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION**

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MEETING HELD BY ELECTRONIC BALLOT ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2020**

A special meeting of the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission was held by electronic ballot on September 14, 2020. The meeting was called pursuant to Section 226.120 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended. The Secretary verified that notice of the meeting was posted in keeping with Section 610.020 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended.

The following members of the Commission submitted ballots: Chairman Michael T. Waters, Jr., John W. Briscoe, Gregg C. Smith, Terry L. Ecker, and Robert G. Brinkmann, P.E. Commissioner Michael Pace tendered his letter of resignation to Governor Parson stating his resignation would be effective on March 6, 2020; at the time of the September 14, 2020 meeting, a replacement had not been appointed.

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*“Department” or “MoDOT” herein refers to Missouri Department of Transportation.
“Commission” or “MHTC” herein refers to Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission.*

-- OPEN MEETING --

COMMISSION/DIRECTOR ITEMS

**MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION RESOLUTION
EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO THE HONORABLE DOUG LIBLA FOR OUTSTANDING
SERVICE TO THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

The Commission, via approval of the electronic ballot, unanimously approved the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Senator Doug Libla served the citizens of Missouri’s 25th Senatorial District for eight years; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, Senator Libla performed his duties with vision, dedication and genuine compassion for the best interest of the citizens of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Senator Libla firmly believes a sound transportation network is essential to safe travel, economic development and a good quality of life in Missouri; and

WHEREAS, as a businessman in Poplar Bluff, and prior to becoming a Senator, Mr. Libla served on the Ozark Foothills Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Committee, where he developed his deep understanding of how a project becomes a reality realizing that transportation needs far exceed transportation funding; and

WHEREAS, Senator Libla served as chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee from 2015 to 2016 and then again from 2019 to 2020 and devoted a great deal of time and effort to many important transportation issues; and

WHEREAS, Senator Libla successfully sponsored legislation that recognizes the importance of the Ozark National Scenic Riverways to the federal government, honors fallen soldiers, and protects highway workers and police officers; and

WHEREAS, Senator Libla worked diligently to make Missouri’s roadways safer, sponsoring numerous bills promoting highway, bridge, and work zone safety; and

WHEREAS, Senator Libla has also been a consistent sponsor of legislation to better fund Missouri’s vast transportation network. Recognizing the need for increased transportation resources and supported legislation in 2018 that would allow Missouri citizens to vote on a transportation funding plan that would be instrumental in improving the state’s transportation system; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission does hereby publicly express its appreciation and gratitude to Senator Doug Libla, as he retires from the

Senate, for the many years of public service he has performed for the citizens of Missouri and extends to him best wishes in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Senator Doug Libla so he will have a permanent record of the high esteem and affection in which he is held by the members of the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission.

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The Mission of the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission is to:

- Represent the citizens of Missouri pursuant to the Constitution by providing independent and nonpartisan governance of the Missouri Department of Transportation; and
- Establish policies, exercise oversight, and ensure accountability in developing and maintaining a world class transportation system in Missouri which fosters safety and economic development.

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