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## MANY LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ATTEND THE ANNUAL MISSOURI MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE THAT WAS HELD IN JEFFERSON CITY



Florissant Mayor Thomas P. Schneider and Kansas City Mayor Sly James are joined by MO Municipal League Executive director Dan Ross, Municipal League of Metro St. Louis Executive Director Pat Kelly and mayors from St. Louis County and the entire state of Missouri on February 15<sup>th</sup> at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City following the annual Missouri Municipal League Conference.

The purpose of the meeting was for Mayors in the state of Missouri to join to make one loud voice that would be heard by the Missouri Legislature. They discussed amplifying existing MO Municipal League priorities including State Highway infrastructure funding and preserving the ability of Municipalities to preserve property values using proven code enforcement strategies and ordinances.

The first two statewide Mayor's meeting was held in the Columbia MO city Hall was well attended and the February 15<sup>th</sup> meeting following the MO Municipal League conference was attended by over 50 mayors. "The Mayors of Missouri demand to be heard because we are elected by our constituents to advocate for better government in their neighborhood and the State they live in and pay taxes to. It saddens me that the State Legislature has demonstrated a hostile attitude aimed at the cities of this state when so many of their constituents live in cities." Said Mayor Schneider