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Missouri House of Representatives Rod Jetton, Speaker

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Rep. Bob Dixon presides over election of new House Speaker

Jefferson City— Representative Bob Dixon, R- Springfield, was chosen by the members of the Missouri House of Representatives to serve as Temporary Speaker of the House during the opening day ceremonies of the 93rd General Assembly.

“I congratulate each member on being elected to this august body. Regardless of party affiliation, the significance of this day and our motivation is the same. We are here solely because our constituents sent us here, and we are here solely to serve the people of Missouri,” said Rep. Dixon in his address before the house. “Serving in this Chamber and presiding as temporary Speaker of the House indeed is an honor.”

Members gathered in the chamber as Secretary of State Matt Blunt gaveled in the beginning of the 93rd General Assembly. Missouri Supreme Court Chief Justice Ronnie White then administered the oath of office to all representatives who were present. At the conclusion of the swearing in ceremony, Secretary Blunt began the nomination process for temporary Speaker of the House. Rep. Dixon, as temporary speaker, then began the process of election for the Speaker of the House. Missouri Supreme Court Judge Stephen Limbaugh then swore in Rep. Rod Jetton, R-Marble Hill, as the Speaker of the Missouri House of Representatives.

“As a part of house leadership I want to make sure that all Missourians are represented in the decision making process,” said Rep. Dixon. “We have a great deal of work ahead of us but I look forward to the challenges the coming months will bring,

The 93rd General Assembly is made up of 163 representatives and 34 senators. In the house, 38 members are freshman, which is the second largest freshman class since the number of representatives was frozen at 163.

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