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## Press Release

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## GENE MCNARY RECEIVES UNANIMOUS VOTE TO SERVE AS GAMING COMMISSION'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

JEFFERSON CITY, Missouri - Today, by a 4 to 0 vote the Missouri Gaming Commission selected Gene McNary, of St Louis County as the commission's fourth executive director. Mr. McNary brings over 26 years of public service experience with him to his new position.

Commission Chairperson Noel Shull said the length and quality of Mr. McNary's previous public service experience will be invaluable to the new executive director as he leads the agency in its day to day operations. Between 1989 and 1993 McNary served as the Commissioner of the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service. As the head of that federal agency he led 18,000 employees in administering the country's immigration laws. Between 1975 and 1989, McNary

served as the St Louis County Executive. When he served as St. Louis County's top elected official there were over a million people residing there.

Mr.McNary begins his service as executive director of the Missouri Gaming Commission on Monday, July 17, 2006.

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