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Lt. Governor Kinder Honored by Alzheimer's Association

JEFFERSON CITY – Lt. Governor Peter Kinder today was honored by the Missouri Coalition of Alzheimer's Association Chapters with the Leadership of the Year Award.

"Alzheimer's is a terrible disease that has plagued 26 million people worldwide," said Kinder. "Today, I gratefully dedicate this award to the more than 110,000 Missourians living with Alzheimer's disease, and their families."

The Leadership of the Year Award is presented to elected officials who have been active in supporting legislation and funding to help fight Alzheimer's.

Lt. Governor Kinder is an avid supporter of the Alzheimer's Association's annual Memory Walks, encouraging all state employees to participate in their respective communities.

"Lt. Governor Kinder has gone above and beyond in his support of people dealing with Alzheimer's," said Carroll Rodriguez, Public Policy Director for the Alzheimer's Association. Thanks to the Lt. Governor's work in passing the Assisted Living bill in 2006, Missourians with Alzheimer's now have more choices for quality, affordable healthcare."

The Assisted Living bill has created greater protection in the rights, privacy, and safety of Missouri's assisted living residents.

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“I am pleased by the work that has been done in treating the horrific effects of Alzheimer's disease,” said Kinder. “We will continue our work in helping Missourians with Alzheimer's.”

The Alzheimer's Association is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to improving care for those with the disease and to finding a cure for future generations.

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