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EXECUTIVE ORDER
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WHEREAS, the Missouri Office of Administration was created pursuant to Article IV, Section 12, of the Missouri Constitution and Chapter 37, RSMo; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education was authorized pursuant to Article IX of the Missouri Constitution and created pursuant to Section 161.020, RSMo; and

WHEREAS, Missouri is home to nearly one million persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri Assistive Technology Advisory Council was established by Section 191.853, RSMo, and is currently assigned to the Office of Administration; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri Assistive Technology Advisory Council supports access to adaptive devices that increase the independence and productivity of Missourians with all types of disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Missouri Assistive Technology Advisory Council provides training, technical assistance, and education and rehabilitation services for individuals with disabilities and employers; and

WHEREAS, the work of the Missouri Assistive Technology Advisory Council would be strengthened by a move to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education where other vocational rehabilitation and special education services are provided; and

WHEREAS, the transfer of the Missouri Assistive Technology Advisory Council would better serve Missouri's citizens by increasing efficiencies and eliminating duplication of efforts and is a component of the Governor's Executive Branch Reorganization Plan of 2006; and

WHEREAS, I am committed to integrating executive branch operations to improve the way the state delivers services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATT BLUNT, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Missouri, do hereby order the Missouri Office of Administration and the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, to cooperate to:

1. Transfer all the authority, powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, contracts, budgets, matters pending, and other pertinent vestiges of the Missouri Assistive Technology Advisory Council from the Office of Administration to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, by Type III transfer, as defined under the Reorganization Act of 1974; and

2. Develop mechanisms and processes necessary to effectively transfer the Missouri Assistive Technology Advisory Council to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; and

3. Take the steps necessary to maintain compliance with federal requirements, so as not to jeopardize federal financial participation with this consolidation.

This Executive Order rescinds certain provisions of Executive Order 04-08. Executive Order 04-08 shall remain effective as to all other provisions not specifically modified herein.

This Order shall become effective no sooner than August 28, 2006 unless disapproved within sixty days of its submission to the Second Regular Session of the 93rd General Assembly.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson on this 1st day of February, 2006.

Matt Blunt
Governor

ATTEST:

Robin Carnahan
Secretary of State