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### **Transportation Secretary Miller receives national award**

Kansas Transportation Secretary Deb Miller has received national recognition from a Washington, D.C.-based research organization.

Secretary Miller, who was first appointed Kansas transportation secretary in 2003 by Gov. Kathleen Sebelius and reappointed this month by Gov. Sam Brownback, received the Transportation Research Board's W.N. Carey Jr. Distinguished Service Award at the organizations Chairman's luncheon today. The Carey Award recognizes individuals who have given leadership and distinguished service to TRB.

"Secretary Miller has provided outstanding leadership in policy and strategic planning for the Board, served with distinction on study committees and technical project panels, and championed research and policy analyses that address long-term challenges faced by transportation agencies at all levels of government," according to TRB.

During her time as the state's longest-serving transportation secretary, she has helped shape national transportation policy as a member of several national transportation boards, including TRB. Secretary Miller was the 2008 chair of TRB's Executive Committee and she also chaired its Subcommittee on Planning and Policy Review. She chaired the National Cooperative Highway Research Program Project Panel on

Commuting in America III and was chair of TRB's standing committee on Transportation and Economic Development.

Secretary Miller is the only person to be appointed Kansas transportation secretary by two governors.

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