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**SENATE PRESIDENT STEVE MORRIS NAMES ANGELA KREPS TO  
KANSAS BIOSCIENCE AUTHORITY**  
*Hugoton Native Brings Industry Perspective to Bioscience Board*

**Topeka, KS** – Senate President Steve Morris (R-Hugoton) today announced the appointment of Angela Kreps, President of Kansas Bioscience Organization (KansasBio), to the Kansas Bioscience Authority. The Kansas Bioscience Authority was established in 2004 under the Kansas Economic Growth Act to stimulate growth in the state's bioscience industry.

Senate President Morris said, "Angela Kreps represents the very industry we are trying to grow. With her participation, a critical component is added to this important board – insight from the bioscience companies that are fueling growth and creating the quality jobs and economic prosperity we hoped would result from this legislation."

In September 2005, Kreps was selected from a nationwide search to serve as the first president of the Kansas Bioscience Organization (KansasBio) – a nonprofit organization focused on enhancing the business and research climate while working with leaders across the state to attract and retain bioscience talent, companies and funding. Kreps additionally serves as a member of US Senator Pat Roberts' Advisory Committee on Science Technology and the Future – a long-term project focusing on technological innovation and embracing Kansas' historical economic strengths to increase the quality and number of job opportunities available to Kansans.

A native of Hugoton, Angela Kreps graduated from Kansas State University with a Bachelor's degree in Journalism and Mass Communications and has worked professionally across the state of Kansas, including Hutchinson, Wichita, and Lenexa.

The Kansas Bioscience Authority was created in April 2004 when Governor Kathleen Sebelius signed into law the Kansas Economic Growth Act. An independent entity of the state, the KBA is governed by an 11 member board of directors composed of local and national leaders prominent in the areas of science, technology, and business.

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“I congratulate and welcome Angela Kreps to our board,” said Tom Thornton, President and CEO of the KBA. “We all look forward to adding her positive energy and industry insight to our efforts to fuel industry growth.”

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**For more information on Angela Kreps and KansasBio, visit <http://www.kansasbio.org/>**

For more information on the Kansas Economic Growth Act, and the Kansas Bioscience Authority, visit <http://www.kansasbioauthority.org/>.