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Who Won the Week?

Josh Hawley – Pulled back the \$6 million he lost in budget mark ups without anyone on the House floor criticizing his office even once. Add to that the human trafficking initiative that he launched on Monday, and Hawley wins the week.

Bruce Franks – Even more impressive than Hawley's budget win. Most Republican House members couldn't even get \$1 million moved in the budget after mark ups, But Franks nabbed \$6 million for his project. An incredible feat by a freshman minority caucus member.

MO Republican consultants – Between potential free-for-alls in the CD-2 and the US Senate primary, 2018 should allow lots of Missouri consultants to get a piece of the pie.

Lyda Krewson – Coasts to victory as St. Louis' first woman mayor and looks to be ready to hit the ground running.

Jason Smith – As health care reform fades into the background and domestic policy attention on the Hill turns to tax reform, the only Missourian on Ways and Means may have the opportunity to display his policy chops to a broader audience.

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