

Mississippi Interstate Cooperative Resource Association
RIVER CHAMPION
Nomination Form

The Mississippi Interstate Cooperative Resource Association **RIVER CHAMPION AWARD** is presented to a Delegate or Committee member who makes an exemplary and/or outstanding long-term contribution to the Mississippi River basin.

Jerry Rasmussen

Nominee's Name

I would like my nominee to receive the **MICRA RIVER CHAMPION AWARD** because...

As the MICRA partnership celebrates its 30th anniversary in 2020, Jerry Rasmussen is deserving of the inaugural River Champion Award. Jerry was instrumental in the formation of the MICRA partnership and served as the partnership's first coordinator until his retirement in 2007. Jerry was well known for his relentless passion for managing sustainable fisheries and aquatic resources in the Mississippi River Basin that was evident in his 'resources first approach' throughout his career. Jerry and the founding delegates succeeded in bringing a concept for improved interjurisdictional fisheries management throughout the Mississippi River Basin to life through the development of a Cooperative Resource Agreement that was signed by 28 state agency directors, federal agencies, and tribal entities, paving the way for a basin-wide partnership of state agency fish chiefs to coordinate on the management of shared interjurisdictional fishery resources for the past 30 years.

MICRA Executive Board

October 26, 2020

Signature

Date

Please return all nominations by **(10/30/2020)** to:

Brian Canaday

MICRA Past Chair – (MICRA@micrarivers.org)