

RESOLUTION NO. 8138

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A RESOLUTION introduced by Councilmembers Deborah Swank and Jack Woelfel, relating to City of Topeka elected officials' support of the Kansas Kids State Wrestling tournament 2010-2012 formal bid proposal presentation.

WHEREAS, the Kansas Kids State Wrestling tournament is the largest event Topeka now hosts and brings approximately 1,500 young athletes ranging in ages from 6 to 16 to compete for the state wrestling title. Along with these young athletes are well over 7,000 attending family members and fans; and

WHEREAS, 2009 is the final year of Topeka's three-year contract to host this event; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas Kids Wrestling Board is currently taking 2010-2012 formal bid proposals from cities and facilities around the state that are interested in hosting the Kansas Kids State Wrestling tournament. Visit Topeka, Inc., Topeka Shawnee County Sports Council, local hotel property owners and Kansas Expocentre staff will make Topeka's formal bid proposal presentation to the Board on March 1, 2009 in Salina and ask elected City officials to support and to participate in this very important bid presentation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Topeka, Kansas that the City's elected officials support the efforts of Visit Topeka, Inc., Topeka Shawnee County Sports Council, local hotel property owners and Kansas Expocentre staff to secure a three-year contract to host the Kansas Kids State Wrestling tournament in the City of Topeka through 2012.

28 ADOPTED and APPROVED by the City Council January 6, 2009.

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William W. Bunten, Mayor

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Brenda Younger, City Clerk