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## **RESOLUTION NO.** <u>9</u> - 2014

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING KANSAS LEGISLATURE HOUSE BILL NO. 2272 AND REQUESTING THE HONORABLE SAM BROWNBACK TO SIGN THE BILL INTO LAW.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Cherokee County, Kansas, (hereinafter referred to as "Board")

WHEREAS, the Board finds several years have passed since the passage of legislation that is presently set forth in K.S.A. 74-8734, and;

WHEREAS, the Board finds K.S.A. 74-8734 presently requires a minimum investment in infrastructure for a southeast Kansas lottery gaming facility of \$225.0 million and the required privilege fee for the lottery gaming facility manager of the southeast Kansas is \$25.0 million, and;

WHEREAS, the Board finds that House Bill No. 2272 would amend K.S.A. 74-8734 to require a minimum investment in infrastructure for a southeast Kansas lottery gaming facility of \$50.0 million and the required privilege fee for the lottery gaming facility manager of the southeast Kansas lottery gaming facility to be \$5.5 million, and;

WHEREAS, the Board finds the enactment into law of House Bill No. 2272 greatly increases the likelihood of a management contract being awarded to an experienced and strong business to operate a lottery gaming facility in the southeast Kansas gaming zone through the lowering of the minimum investment in infrastructure and the required privilege fee for the lottery gaming facility manager, and;

WHEREAS, the Board finds the operation of a lottery gaming facility in the southeast Kansas gaming zone would create Kansas jobs during the construction of

the facility and continue to create jobs and expand the Kansas economy once the operation of such a facility commences, and;

WHEREAS, the Board finds the operation of a lottery gaming facility in the southeast Kansas gaming zone would generate fees based on its revenues and generate additional taxation revenues that would be used to support infrastructure for the facility, perhaps leading to the lowering of the mill levy applicable to all real estate in the county where such a facility is located, and;

WHEREAS, the Board finds the location of a lottery gaming facility in the southeast Kansas gaming zone could lead to greater opportunities for local businesses that conduct business with the lottery gaming facility and attract customers to the area that would conduct other business in the region such as with hotels, restaurants, and through advertising with local media.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Cherokee County, Kansas, meeting in regular session, this 7th day of April, 2014, does hereby resolve as follows: for all of the previously stated reasons we respectfully request The Honorable Sam Brownback sign Kansas House Bill No. 2272 into law.

This resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and publication once in the official county newspaper.

Adopted this 7th day of April, 2014, by the BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS.

Patrick W. Collins

County Commissioner

Richard J. Hilderbrand

County Commissioner

Charlie Napier

County Commissioner

ATTEST:

Rod Edmondson

County Clerk of Cherokee County,

Kansas

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