IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION welcoming the National Football League to Jackson County for the NFL Draft event to be held at Kansas City's Union Station on April 27 through April 29, 2023.

RESOLUTION NO. 21255, April 24, 2023

INTRODUCED BY Manuel Abarca IV, County Legislator

WHEREAS, the NFL Draft is a highly anticipated annual event that brings together fans from across the country to celebrate their favorite teams and welcome new players to the league; and,

WHEREAS, the 2023 NFL Draft will take place in Kansas City, Missouri, at Union Station from April 27 to April 29; and,

WHEREAS, the Kansas City Sports Commission is expecting more than 100,000 visitors each day of the draft, which would make the draft the largest single-sport event in the history of Kansas City; and,

WHEREAS, the NFL Draft provides an opportunity for Kansas City to showcase itself as a compelling destination to the world and bring a national and international spotlight to the city; and,

WHEREAS, the National WWI Museum and Memorial's south lawn will be the site of NFL Draft-related games and attractions, including activities such as the 40-yard dash, vertical jump, field goal kick, and Hail Mary challenges; and,

WHEREAS, fans will also be able to visit a replica draft stage and locker room, enjoy free autographs from current and former NFL players, and see a Pro Football Hall of Fame exhibit that includes the Vince Lombardi Trophy and all fifty-six Super Bowl rings; and,

WHEREAS, the Money Museum at the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, which is across the street from the National WWI Museum and Memorial, will be open during the draft and will offer a football-themed scavenger hunt and origami station, along with a football souvenir bag of shredded money; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature officially welcomes the NFL Draft to the community, and encourages all fans to take advantage of the many activities and attractions available during the event; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature recognizes the efforts of the Kansas City Sports Commission and other organizations involved in making this event a success and encourages visitors to plan ahead for transportation, road closures, and the NFL's clear bag policy, to ensure the best experience possible; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature proclaims April 27-29, 2023, as "NFL Draft Days" in Jackson County, Missouri, and encourages all residents to welcome the visitors to this great city and to participate in the festivities.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

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olution, Resolution No. 21255 of April 24, 2023 by the Jackson County s:
Nays
Absent
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature