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RESOLUTION NO. 08-031

A RESOLUTION BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WICHITA, KANSAS APPROVING CLOSURE OF A. PRICE WOODARD PARK FOR WICHITA RIVER FESTIVAL EVENT.

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that substantial community benefits may result from community events. They can provide cultural enrichment, promote economic vitality and enhance community identity. Further, such events along the Arkansas River will serve to promote downtown and community development.

WHEREAS, Wichita River Festival events, operated by Wichita Festivals Inc., to be held May 9 through May 17, 2008, will not obstruct the operation of emergency vehicles or equipment in or through the area;

WHEREAS, the proposed event does not present a safety, noise, or traffic hazard;

WHEREAS, the proposed events and activities to be held in A. Price Woodard Park will be subject to approval by City Council pursuant to City Ordinance 3.14.020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WICHITA, KANSAS AS FOLLOWS:

1. A Price Woodard Park shall be closed to the public for the duration of the Wichita River Festival held from May 9 to May 17, 2008. Wichita Festivals Inc. will be allowed to fence and charge admission for entry into the park. Additionally, vendors will be allowed to sell merchandise within the park area during the event.
2. All events to be held at the site will be subject to City Council approval under the terms of City Ordinance 3.14.020.

3. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption by City Council.

ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WICHITA, KANSAS, this

_____ day of _____, 2008.

Carl Brewer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen Sublett, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Gary E. Rebenstorf
City Attorney