

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-006**

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF PAOLA, KANSAS, SUPPORTING THE INCLUSION OF MIAMI COUNTY, KANSAS IN THE FOREIGN TRADE ZONE “SERVICE AREA” OF THE GREATER KANSAS CITY FOREIGN TRADE ZONE, INC. (“GRANTEE”) FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPLEMENTING NEW PROCEDURES FOR SECURING FOREIGN TRADE ZONE STATUS WITHIN MIAMI COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Paola, Kansas is the County Seat of Miami County, Kansas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Greater Kansas City Foreign Trade Zone, Inc., a not-for-profit 501 (c) 6 Kansas Corporation established in 1973 serves as Grantee (“Grantee”) under the U.S. Foreign Trade Zone Act of 1934 for the purpose of establishing Foreign Trade Zones (“FTZ”) within the jurisdictional area of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Bureau of Customs and Border Protection - Port of Kansas City (“USCBP”) and known as FTZ No. 17; and

**WHEREAS**, as the Grantee for FTZ status in USCBP area, all applications for said FTZ status must be filed by the Grantee and must be reviewed and approved by the U.S Foreign Trade Zone Board in Washington, DC, the Grantee’s regulating body (“USFTZ”); and

**WHEREAS**, since 1973, the Grantee has eight (8) established General Purpose FTZ Sites on various properties within FTZ No. 17 containing a total of 55,046,402 square feet (1,263.69 acres) of which 90,000 square feet ( 2.06 acres) is currently activated and being used under FTZ procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, the USFTZ has, with the concurrence of Grantees, developed and adopted certain optional procedures (“ASF”) for processing Grantee’s Minor Boundary Modification FTZ applications which will streamline USFTZ processing of said applications and, from the Grantee’s perspective, be more cost-effective for companies desiring to participate in the FTZ program and secure the benefits offered by the program; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami County, Kansas lies within the jurisdictional area of USCBP and the Grantee and has determined that the ASF procedures for designating FTZ users in Miami County will provide streamlined and cost effective access to the FTZ program for companies in the county that desire to operate in FTZ’s and will further advance the competitive advantages of Miami County’s economic development program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PAOLA, KANSAS AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1:** That the City Council has determined that applications for Foreign Trade Zone designation under ASF procedures will be beneficial to the City of Paola, Miami County, and companies locating within the county desiring Foreign Trade Zone status.

**Section 2:** The City Council of the City of Paola supports the inclusion of Miami County within the Service Area of GKCFTZ for the purpose of implementing ASF procedures.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2009.

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Artie Stuteville, Mayor

ATTEST: [seal]

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Daniel G. Droste, City Clerk