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Groundbreaking ceremony today at Missouri Western State University

June 29, 2009 – St. Joseph, MO—The Kansas City Chiefs are ‘officially’ back in Missouri. Groundbreaking ceremonies took place today at Missouri Western State University in St. Joseph, Missouri, kicking off the construction of a new facility that will host the Kansas City Chiefs training camp beginning in 2010 relocating from River Falls, Wisconsin.

On June 18th, the Chiefs officially announced that the club’s training camp will return to the state of Missouri for the next 10 years, beginning in 2010. The Chiefs and Missouri Western State University in have agreed that the Chiefs will conduct training camp on the Missouri Western campus for a minimum of five years.

The camp is expected to generate substantial economic impact to St. Joseph and Buchanan County. Already the St. Joseph Visitors Bureau is working with the Chiefs marketing team to assist in the promotion of this exciting endeavor.

“This is a HUGE economic benefit to the State of Missouri,” said Marci Bennett, Executive Director of the St. Joseph Visitors Bureau and Commissioner for the Missouri Tourism Commission. “This allows the Chiefs to expand their fan base in the mid-west, allows the State of Missouri to reap the benefits of fan dollars spent during the training camp, and consequently, will elevate the visibility of St. Joseph as well as a visitor destination with a suburb University experience,” Bennett said. “We applaud the Governor, the Lt. Governor, Senator Shields, the Hunt family and all those who worked to make this a ‘touchdown’ for Missouri.”



Missouri Western will serve as just the fifth training camp site in the 50-year history of the Chiefs franchise. The Chiefs will conduct their training camp in the state of Missouri for the first time in 20 years when they open camp at Missouri Western in 2010. William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri previously served as the Chiefs training camp site from ‘63-90.

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