RESOLUTION NO. 2144


WHEREAS, we the members of the Topeka City Council desire to expand the efforts to combat crime in our community; and

WHEREAS, we applaud the efforts of many members of the faith community, schools, social service agencies, neighborhood groups, businesses, and individual citizens to be a part of the solution. The holistic approach must be inclusive of them. One new initiative is having Topeka as a "City of Character." We welcome new ideas and input from all sources to make our streets and homes safe; and

WHEREAS, the Crime Summit that was held this summer primarily focused on what law enforcement agencies should do. We remain anxious to see the details of implementation of the Crime Plan that is to be a result of this summit with written copies to each Council Member.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOPEKA that we call for a second summit or task force to be organized by the next Mayor elected on April 3, 2001, to provide a comprehensive, holistic approach to combating crime. This should include specific budget priorities and any needed ordinances. It should include specific state legislation to be included in our legislative agenda. It should include a comprehensive evaluation of the criminal justice system, both adult and juvenile. The second summit or task force most importantly needs to

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focus on prevention and intervention. The second summit or task force should address what barriers exist that prevent some of our citizens from becoming productive, lawful citizens and what we can do to erase those barriers.

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the City Council March 27, 2001

Joan Wagnon, Mayor

ATTEST:

Iris E. Walker, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

DATE______________________ BY_______