RESOLUTION NO. 8111

A RESOLUTION introduced by Deputy Mayor Jeff Priesner disapproving the appointment of Carol Torrence to the Planning Commission.

WHEREAS, the Mayor on August 12, 2008, appointed Carol Torrence to the City’s Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, Charter Ordinance No. 94, codified at City of Topeka Code §A2-72 requires all mayoral appointments to nonstatutory boards and commissions to be confirmed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 2217, Section 4 states that any mayoral appointment to a board or commission which is subject to approval of the governing body of the City must be acted upon within 45 days of the appointment by the Mayor or it shall be deemed approved; and

WHEREAS, HB 2217, Section 4 requires the City’s governing body to approve the mayoral appointment unless the governing body makes a specific finding by the passage of a resolution that the person is either unqualified or is not fit to hold the office or position; and

WHEREAS, the Council on August 12, 2008, deferred the consideration of the appointment of Ms. Torrence for four (4) weeks which is the September 9, 2008, Council meeting; and

WHEREAS, upon vote of the Council at the September 9, 2008, Council meeting, the motion to approve the appointment of Ms. Torrence to the City Planning Commission failed; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to make the necessary finding pursuant to HB 2217 to disapprove the appointment of Carol Torrence to the City’s Planning Commission.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS, that Carol Torrence is not fit or is unqualified to serve on the Planning Commission.

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the City Council September 23, 2008

CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS

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William W. Bunten, Mayor

ATTEST:
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Brenda Younger, City Clerk

This resolution shall take effect without the Mayor’s signature.