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2D SESSION

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. ALFORD submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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# RESOLUTION

Honoring the tremendous effort undertaken by the good people of Kansas City, Missouri, Kansas, and surrounding communities in getting the heartland ready for the World Cup.

Whereas the World Cup is the most popular international sporting event, drawing the attention of 6 billion viewers worldwide;

Whereas the 2026 World Cup is the largest tournament in history with 104 matches, 48 teams with games to be staged in 3 countries;

Whereas Kansas City is the smallest United States city of 11 to be selected, yet quickly established itself as “Soccer

Capital of America”, due to its outstanding facilities, excellent hospitality and great central location;

Whereas Kansas City offers players and fans alike an outstanding location in which to enjoy the games; and

Whereas first responders, public works, transportation officials, and volunteers have all worked diligently to provide a safe, clean and accessible environment, which guests and locals can enjoy a fun and entertaining time: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) honors the dedication and hard work and  
3               effort of all the Kansas City and surrounding Mis-  
4               souri and Kansas communities for creating an out-  
5               standing environment to house such an event;

6               (2) recognizes the difficulty and extraordinary  
7               effort required to undertake putting together such  
8               an event;

9               (3) affirms the commitment to the American  
10              people that global events will not always be housed  
11              in American megacities; and

12              (4) commends the small businesses, teams,  
13              schools, volunteers, and officials for their dedication  
14              to their city in welcoming the world.