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KC Chiefs Training Camp One Step Closer to St. Joseph

State Senator Charlie Shields Commends Board's Vote to Secure Tax Credits

JEFFERSON CITY – State Senator Charlie Shields, R-St. Joseph, commended the Missouri Development Finance Board's unanimous vote today approving tax credits that are a vital step in securing St. Joseph and Missouri Western State University as the new home of the Kansas City Chiefs training camp. Senator Shields has worked for several years to bring the current Wisconsin-based training camp to Missouri.

"This is a win for the people of Missouri by bringing the Kansas City Chiefs training camp to the team's home state, helping local tourism and giving easier access for fans to follow the pre-season," Sen. Shields said. "Thanks to Lt. Gov. Peter Kinder's leadership on this state board, the tax credits will soon be in place, making the training camp move one step closer to reality."

The board approved \$25 million in tax credits for improvements to Arrowhead Stadium, a publicly owned facility, where the Chiefs professional football team plays. Part of the credits would go toward building a new training camp facility at Missouri Western State University in St. Joseph. The facility is expected to open in 2010.

"This facility and training camp will bring a new image for St. Joseph, as well as help Missouri tourism as a whole," Sen. Shields said.

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