

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5031

By Representative Croft

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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ratifying the State of Disaster
2 Emergency declaration issued on February 9, 2026, by Governor
3 Laura Kelly in response to the impacts associated with the 2026 FIFA
4 World Cup activities affecting Douglas, Johnson and Wyandotte
5 counties; providing for the continuation thereof in Douglas, Johnson
6 and Wyandotte counties through July 30, 2026.

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8 WHEREAS, On February 9, 2026, Governor Laura Kelly issued a
9 State of Disaster Emergency declaration for Douglas, Johnson and
10 Wyandotte counties pursuant to K.S.A. 48-924 in response to the
11 significant public safety, security, transportation and infrastructure
12 challenges associated with the 2026 FIFA World Cup; and

13 WHEREAS, The 2026 FIFA World Cup will take place from June 11,
14 2026, through July 19, 2026, across 16 host cities in North America, with
15 Kansas City, Missouri, hosting six matches, including one quarterfinal
16 match; and

17 WHEREAS, Douglas, Johnson and Wyandotte counties will host
18 teams, training sites and practice facilities and are expected to experience
19 substantial increases in population density, traffic and public gatherings,
20 including FanFest events and watch parties; and

21 WHEREAS, The event is projected to generate approximately 650,000
22 visitors in the region, placing extraordinary demands on local public
23 safety, emergency management, transportation systems and other
24 essential infrastructure; and

25 WHEREAS, The State Emergency Operations Center must be
26 activated to provide situational awareness to elected officials, coordinate
27 with federal partners and other states and support local jurisdictions in
28 maintaining public safety and continuity of operations; and

29 WHEREAS, The Governor has determined that these conditions
30 constitute a disaster as defined in K.S.A. 48-904 and that a coordinated
31 state response is necessary to protect life, property and public safety:
32 Now, therefore,

33 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas,*
34 *the Senate concurring therein:* That the State of Disaster Emergency
35 declaration issued on February 9, 2026, for Douglas, Johnson and
36 Wyandotte counties pursuant to K.S.A. 48-924 is hereby ratified and
37 continued in full force and effect through July 30, 2026.