A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROPERTY TAXATION POLICY OF THE BOARD OF WOODSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WITH RESPECT TO FINANCING THE 2009 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR WOODSON COUNTY, KANSAS.

WHEREAS, budgeting, taxing, and service level decisions for all services are the responsibility of the board; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of Woodson County to minimize the property taxes used to finance the County at the lowest possible level, while exercising our stewardship responsibility to maintain basic services for our citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of Woodson County that, to the extent possible within the context of the needs of county residents, as 2009 budget for Woodson County will be adopted that does not require property taxes to be levied for district purposes in an amount exceeding an amount levied to finance the 2008 Woodson County budget, except with regard to revenue produced and attributable to the taxation of 1) new improvement to real property; 2) increased personal property valuation, other than increased valuation of oil and gas leaseholds and mobile homes; and 3) property which has changed in use during the past year; or with regard to revenue produced for the purpose of repaying the principal of and interest upon bonded indebtedness, temporary notes or no-fund warrants; and

WHEREAS, despite the desire of the Woodson County Board of Commissioners to adopt a 2009 budget while adhering to a maximum level of property taxation described in the forgoing paragraph, the residents of Woodson County are to be aware that the 2009 budget will require property taxes to be levied in an amount greater than the level defined in the desired maximum level defined in the preceding paragraph, due to operating expenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Woodson County Commissioners that it is our desire to notify the public of the increased property taxes to finance the 2009 Woodson County Budget as defined above and in 1999 Senate Bill 45.

Adopted this _____ day of ___ August___, 2008 by the Woodson County Board of Commissioners, Woodson County, Kansas.

Gwendolyn D. Martin, Chairman

Karl D. Allen, Vice-Chairman

Trent Forsyth, Member

Attest:

Shelley A. Stuber, Co Clerk