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2011 USATF Junior Olympics Coming To The City of Wichita in the Missouri Valley Association:

Wichita, Kansas – The 2011 USATF Junior Olympic Track & Field Championships will be held in Wichita, Kansas. This will be the first time this Junior Olympics Track and Field Championship will be held in the Missouri Valley Association, the local affiliate of USATF.

Wichita was selected in the site of the 2011 USATF Junior Olympic Track & Field Championships in Indianapolis on Friday, December 4, 2009. The successful bid was submitted by the Greater Wichita Area Sports Commission, USATF Missouri Valley Association, Go Wichita Convention & Visitors Bureau, the City of Wichita and Wichita State University. Representatives from all organizations attended the presentation.

The USATF Junior Olympic Track & Field Championships is a highly visible youth athletic development program. Many of today's Olympic stars began their track and field careers competing in the USATF National Junior Olympic Track & Field Championships. The six-day event, held in July, has over 6,500 athletes participating in ten divisions. The 2009 championships were in Greensboro, North Carolina and had an estimated economic impact of \$17 million.

There will be a press conference at the Go Wichita/Wichita Sports Commission Board Room, 515 S. Main at 2:00 pm on Sunday, December 6th to cover details of this prestigious event.

Sincerely,

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