

# Thomas



# County

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## Resolution No. 2008-18

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Thomas County, Kansas, has been informed that there may be a movement toward obtaining a listing of the black tailed prairie dog on the endangered species list;

WHEREAS, in the interests of protecting the economic stability and social cohesiveness of the citizens of Thomas County, the Commissioners have caused to be reviewed information provided in the past to, and reviewed by, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to the question of whether the black tailed prairie dog is and/or shall be considered in danger of becoming extinct, to the point of needing protection under the Endangered Species Act;

WHEREAS, the decision made by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service in 2004, and reported in the Federal Register, Volume 69, No. 159, Wednesday, August 18, 2004, pages 51217-51226 and all the information reviewed by the Service and summarized in the Federal Register report and decision found and concluded that the black tailed prairie dog was not in danger to the point of meriting listing as an endangered species;

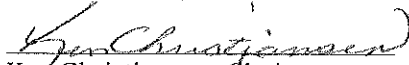
THEREFORE, it is Resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Thomas County, Kansas that the Federal Register document, a copy of which is attached to this resolution, is adopted as a part of the natural resource planning process and therefore as a portion of a continuing natural resource plan of Thomas County;


IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the policy of Thomas County that the black tailed prairie dog is not an endangered species, and that it should not be treated as such species for purposes of introduction to any particular site within the County or for any other purpose;

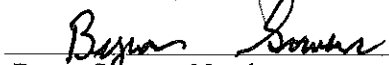
IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED that the policy regarding the black tailed prairie dog is based upon the information provided in the Federal Register page referred to above.

Signed and Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2008


Board of County Commissioners  
Thomas County, Kansas

  
Ken Christiansen, Chairman

  
Paul M. Steele, Member

  
Byron Sowers, Member

Attest:

  
Shelly A. Harms, County Clerk

