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NCAA to visit Kansas City as a future location for the Women's Final Four

KANSAS CITY, MO (July 30, 2018) – Kansas City is one of eight finalists selected by the NCAA as a possible future host of the Division I Women's Final Four during the years 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024. On **Wednesday, August 1**, members of the NCAA Women's Basketball Staff and Committee will visit Kansas City to assess the city's ability to welcome and support this premiere women's basketball event.

During their one-day visit, they will tour Sprint Center, multiple hotels that would house teams, fans & media as well as the Kansas City Convention Center, which would serve as the site for the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) annual convention to be held in conjunction with the tournament games.

The key individuals below will be available for **media interviews on August 1 from 1:30-2 p.m. in the heart of the KC Live! Block at 13th Street & Grand Blvd. Please arrive by 1:15 p.m** to check in and set up.

- **Meredith Cleaver, NCAA Women's Basketball Director**
- **Debbie Richardson, Senior Associate Commissioner A10 Conference and member of NCAA Women's Basketball Committee**

A second interview opportunity will take place from **5:30-6 p.m. at Kill Devil Club** (31 E. 14th St.) in the Power & Light District. Ms. Cleaver and Ms. Richardson will be joined by city officials including Mayor Sly James, Jackson County Executive Frank White as well as other event organizers.

Final bid presentations will be delivered to the NCAA in mid-September and the selected host cities will be announced in October. The other seven cities in contention include: Cleveland, OH; Dallas, TX; Houston, TX; Indianapolis, IN; Minneapolis, MN; Nashville, TN and San Antonio, TX.

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