



## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **LINCOLN CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU & PERSHING CENTER TO OFFER SHUTTLE SERVICE FOR STATE GIRLS & BOYS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Lincoln – The Lincoln Convention and Visitors Bureau along with Pershing Center have teamed up to offer a free shuttle service to tournament spectators for the State Girls Basketball Championship, March 4 – 5 and State Boys Basketball Championship, March 11 - 12.

"We wish the best of luck to all of our participating teams, coaches, cheerleaders, fans and officials in making this the best possible tournament experience for all involved. Each year our community provides unparalleled opportunities for attendees and we are fortunate to have a great group of volunteers and tournament venue hosts who make each year memorable for those visiting our community. Our commitment to this event is one that we take great pride in and we enjoy hearing visitors tell us how excited they are to be in Lincoln for the state tournaments." stated Jeff Maul, Executive Director of the Lincoln Convention and Visitors Bureau.

The free shuttle will operate every 10 minutes running between the Haymarket Garage located at 848 Q Street, and Pershing Center, located at 226 Centennial Mall South, from 8:00 am to 11:30 pm. The Haymarket Garage, Iron Horse (7<sup>th</sup> & Q Streets), Market Place (10<sup>th</sup> & P Streets) will offer all day parking for \$3.00 as an additional value to the free shuttle service. Exact cash is appreciated. Please note that although all three parking garages are offering the discounted parking rates, the only shuttle pick-up point will be in front of the Haymarket Garage.

"Lincoln cherishes the State Basketball Tournaments," said Lincoln Mayor Chris Beutler. "They are a significant part of our great city's rich sports history. Every year we look forward to welcoming players, coaches and fans from all over the state of Nebraska. They are our number one priority. The top-notch athletic competition combined with the tremendous shopping, dining and entertainment options we have to offer makes Lincoln an all-encompassing activity-packed weekend destination that is second to none."