TO: Madam Chair Rep. Estes and members of the House Education Committee

FROM: Naomi Vertilus, parent

DATE: February 5, 2025

Dear Madam Chair Estes and committee members,

My name is Naomi Vertilus. Thank you for the opportunity to be here. I'm a parent of a child that attends Holy Savior Catholic Academy. I am here to support HB 2136.

I currently live in Wichita, KS. I'm here to let the committee know that I support HB 2136 because my Nylah Coleman a 5th grader is only able to attend this school because of the scholarship. I support this bill because the scholarships are available in the low income community so more children are able to get a good education such as my daughter and many more individuals, families. The Scholarship would help reduce financial burdens and promote economic growth. This tax credit is a great opportunity to provide incentives for investment and job creation in the community. This bill would aim to encourage investment, job creation and offer opportunities for many individuals which could stimulate the economy and lead to long term benefits.

I support this bill because I want to see this program help other families, like it helped my family.

I respectfully ask that the committee support HB 2136. I thank the committee for allowing me to speak today.

Thank you,

Naomi Vertilus