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Dear Chair Proctor and Members of the Committee,
Thank you for the opportunity to testify on HB 2448. My name is Jessica Carr, and I am a resident and voter in Wichita, Sedgwick County. I ask you to please vote NO on HB 2448.

I believe that HB 2448 will burden Kansans with cumbersome and unnecessary bureaucratic details and requirements. The unfortunate effect for real people in real time will be to ultimately deny Kansans their due rights.

The whole process of citizenship documentation will burden hardworking, busy Kansas individuals and families. In addition, the details of the proposed bill are unclear. The proposed bill does not provide information on key procedures, such as how often citizenship status will be updated, when citizens submit documentation to prove status, etc.

I also note that this bill will provide early steps again to try to burden Kansas voters with requirements of documentary evidence for voter registration.

Kansas elections are secure.

A federal appeals court, the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals in Salt Lake City, already ruled in 2020 that Kansas cannot require documentary proof of citizenship when citizens register to vote. The appeals court ruled that this violates the U.S. Constitution's Equal Protection Clause and the National Voter Registration Act. States may not significantly burden the right to vote without justification. And such justification was at the time, and remains today, manifestly not present.

I encourage you to support the goal of enfranchising the citizens of Kansas, of promoting full participation in the political process, and of not burdening us with unnecessary and time-consuming paperwork and bureaucracy.

Thank you kindly. I appreciate your hard work and commitment to all Kansans. Please vote No on HB 2448.