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Members of the House Committee on Taxation Kansas State Capitol Room 346-S Topeka, Kansas

RE: House Bill 2208

The Scott Community Foundation strongly supports the Endow Kansas HB 2208. This bill will be essential moving forward for many counties and communities across the state of Kansas by opening the door to opportunities for each community to build towards a sustainable future.

The Endow Kansas HB 2208 contains many key elements for aiding communities that struggle to utilize tax credits. The community I serve in Scott County Kansas has utilized the tax credit process to aid multiple projects. Whether it has been for the Scott County Library, the Spencer Flight and Education Center, or the Western Kansas Child Advocacy Center the ability for donors and organizations to utilize tax credits has impacted our community significantly.

The Endow Kansas HB 2208 bill would impact the viability of our local schools, hospitals, and non-profit organizations by endowing tax credits to enable the community foundations across the state of Kansas to provide long term financial support to these organizations that are essential in providing services in our communities.

Thank you for your consideration of this bill that will keep our communities moving forward.

Very Truly Yours,

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