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Thank you, Madame Chair.

My name is Barb Wasinger and I am the State Representative for the 111th District in Kansas and I stand in support of House Bill 2192.

"Karen's Law," signed into Kansas law in spring 2023, amends the "slayer rule" in the Kansas Probate Code to prevent anyone charged with the felonious killing of a decedent from benefiting from their estate until the criminal proceedings are resolved.

Karen Schumacher was a victim of domestic violence perpetrated by her husband. I can only pray that had this bill been passed before her life was taken from her that more would have stopped Jay Schumacher from causing her death.

We have got to strengthen laws to deal with aggravated domestic – if we don't pass this we won't have even tried to save domestic violence victims.