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February 20, 2012
Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee
State Capitol
Topeka, KS 66612

Re: Substitute for HB 2427

Dear Committee Members:

Probation Officer Leigh Whitworth contacted me with the concern about privacy and safety for her family because the county publishes on its website the home address of all county employees including probation officers. As a result of her concerns, I visited with the Executive Director of the Johnson County Commission, Hannas Zacharias, and he consulted with the other county government officials in order to recommend a way to provide better security for law enforcement officers. Their proposal is contained in Substitute for HB2427. The bill allows a law enforcement officer, including a probation officer, to request removal of personal identifying information from the county website. It requires the county to remove the information within seven days. This is a common sense approach to protecting those who secure our safety in the community. I urge adoption of Substitute for HB 2427.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Colloton
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