## Dear Chairman Hubert-

I am writing in support of Kansans for Health Freedom and HB 2601. I am a mom of 6 who has spent the last 18 years researching natural health. Before any of my children were born, I worked with an autistic child and another with Aspergers in the public school system. I began to wonder why these children had the issues that they had, which led me to doing research and listening to stories from other parents who had children with these brain issues. The one thing that kept coming back as consistent, was that the children with autism were much of the time normal, healthy, vibrant children until the age of two. Within hours of getting the MMR vaccine, these children began rocking back and forth with a glazed look over their eyes. These children were never the same again. They had no joy, no smiles, very little emotion. On the positive side, they are very intelligent - almost like Rainman, with their ability to do the logical subjects with amazing ease. The sad side of this is how rough this left the lives of the parents involved - especially the moms. Their lives are not the same after this disease process began in their children.

While the children with autism looked like the other children in the class, the child with Aspergers had soft features of the face. These children, I believe, had either disease coming from the parents or the mother was injected with a vaccine while they were in the womb (the latter was the case with the student I worked with).

The mothers of these children lay awake at night wondering if their child would escape out of the house. They send their child away to homes prepared to deal with the 24-hour care that is necessary to sustain the safety of these children. They no longer get the love and hugs that they once got from their child as that part of their brain is no longer active. It was seeing this first hand that caused me to research vaccines all together.

My husband is an Optometrist, so the scientific side of this research had to pass through him to be believable. We researched what the World Health Organization said about vaccines, looked at statistics, and made our decision without the fear of what others would think even though it was very early in the stages of non-vaccinating being popular. We know that there is risk in both vaccinating and not vaccinating. However, when we compared the two, we decided that the risk of non-vaccinating was the side we would rather risk. The risk of Autism was higher than the risk of death. With autism on the rise at a rate that science is not willing to explain, we saw that the main difference between our childhoods and the children of our own children's generation, is the number of vaccines that are required in childhood. It's outrageous!

I believe that the fear tactic of physicians telling parents that they MUST be vaccinated or they won't be seen by a clinic is a dictator tactic that in history has never turned a group of people more empowered or healthy. We must educate people and cause them to know that as a mom, you are the best judge of what is best for your children. Moms have been ignored over and over in the medical system. I've had enough of the mom-shaming that goes on in the doctor's office and the media. We are missing, as a society, the voice that is going to advance our medical system if we choose to hear it - the voice of the mom. Moms are more in tune with all of their family members than any doctor ever will be and we cannot force things such as the effects of vaccinations on the women that build the next generation. They are getting tired.

Do I trust that the FDA has truth in mind? When we lived in Indiana, Eli Lily, a pharmaceutical company just down the road was doing a study on anti-depressants. A 20 year old student who had no signs of depression or suicide, decided to participate in a drug study with anti-depressants. She was on the drugs for 1 week when she committed suicide in the lab. And these drugs are STILL AVAILABLE. Can we be just little bitty scientists and say that there

may be a connection to the number of people on anti-depressants and the overwhelming number of suicides today??

And I will honestly say that if the connection truly is not the vaccine that is injuring our children, LET'S FIGURE OUT WHAT IT IS! There are scientists whose heart is in it, but they get death threats when they actually get close to the right answer. I grew up with one child in my class of 60 with asthma. Personally, 4 out of 6 of my kiddos have had asthma. SOMETHING is going wrong in the cells of our children! Can we focus on finding out the true issues rather than just working on enforcing more vaccinations which we don't have proof that don't detrimentally effect the children or the next generation?

I will just end in saying that I'm so glad that our society has such a great group of people promoting the freedom of our health. As an educator, I will do my part in educating the moms and next generation who will soon be our leaders right where you all are today.

Thank you for your time.

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