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Chairman Steve Huebert 300 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Street Room 286-N Topeka, KS 66612

RE: HB 2601

Dear Chairman Huebert,

I am contacting you to urge your support for HB 2601 regarding health freedom in Kansas.

I need to share my story about being forced to receive vaccinations due to enormous pressure from my employer. I believe I was victimized by their goal of 100% compliance. Throughout my entire life I had been someone who was rarely sick until I began to receive the flu vaccine. I bowed to relentless pressure for ten years. During this time I developed asthma and began to fight bronchitis a couple of times per year. I even developed pneumonia multiple times. This is something that I believe was a direct result of the flu vaccine. I also know that it was preventable. There is now evidence that supports that link.

The last two years I worked there, I refused the flu shot and was harassed with claims that I was the only employee who was keeping them from their 100% vaccination goal. Ultimately I took another job, along with a \$2.00/hour pay cut.

My son received his required vaccinations as a child and he too has compromised breathing and lung issues. This is something that our family deals with daily. Due to limited job availability, he is now employed by the same facility and he is under tremendous pressure to comply with this policy. He is vaccinated every year because he cannot comfortably work while wearing the required mask for those who refuse vaccination.

This is not acceptable. Kansans and all Americans should have the freedom to choose whether or not to risk their own health due to arbitrary one-size-fits-all mandates. No one should be forced to undergo a medical procedure that they oppose.

In recent years, I have begun to research vaccine harms and have discovered things that trouble me greatly. In addition to the physical harm that forced vaccination has had on my family, the documented use of aborted fetal tissue in many of the scheduled vaccines is unacceptable to me. As a pro-life woman I am strongly opposed to the use of fetal tissue and fetal DNA cell lines on both philosophical and religious grounds.

Kansans deserve to have their representatives protect their health freedom as well as their religious freedom. Listen to your constituents in Kansas. I am asking that you champion this cause to protect freedom. You can be a hero and I urge you to do so.

Sincerely, Lea Elliott Hoxie, Kansas