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Dear Committee Chair Adam Smith and Committee Members,

We would like to ask you to vote NO on SB 248 which in the current form would eliminate local sales tax levies on food, food ingredients and groceries.

As a non-profit organization, Frankfort Community Care Home is a vital part of the Frankfort Community, caring for elderly community members, being the second largest employer, as well as a favorite gathering spot for fellowship. In recent years, the financial status of FCCH has been extremely volatile and unstable due to the changes during and following the COVID pandemic. In November, the community of Frankfort showed their overwhelming support by passing a vote to designate an additional half cent city sales tax to FCCH. It is estimated that this will offer an additional \$80,000 annually to FCCH to help with operational shortfalls. Without these funds, it will be more challenging to continue the mission of serving the seniors of our community.

If SB 248 is passed in its current form, these additional funds will be eliminated or significantly reduced, and therefore significantly minimizing the monies that FCCH will receive from their supportive community.

Although we understand your attempt to reduce burden on the taxpayer, we have overwhelmingly heard that patrons in Frankfort are more than willing to do their part by paying those sales taxes to support Frankfort Community Care Home in addition to city funded projects.

Please consider voting NO or at minimum amending SB 248 so local sales tax levies on food, food ingredients and groceries are made whole again, as is current law.

Sincerely,

Haley Stevens, RN

FCCH Administrator