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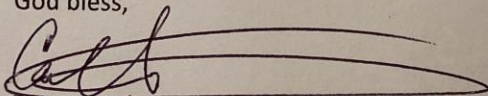
To Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee on Medicaid Expansion

As a Pastor and Community Leader, I have seen firsthand the need for expanded healthcare in our communities around Kansas. Many families have testified the need of insurance that their income status have fallen between the gap. I believe the Medicaid Expansion will help rural hospitals and many other health providers.

In Kansas, we are losing billions of dollars and counting in federal funding. We have more than 150,000 Kansans who currently fall into a health coverage gap. Expanding KanCare is a fiscally responsible, Kansas-based solution that will cover them and bring and bring hundreds of millions of our federal dollars back home to Kansas – helping to create jobs, protect rural hospitals and improve the health of Kansans. Expanding KanCare will enhance services for mental health and substance use and abuse disorders. KanCare expansion is good for patients and public health. Finally, it's good for rural Kansans, families and healthcare providers.

I want to believe that Governor Kelley and legislators of Kansas will pass this bill so that all of Kansans will have equal access to healthcare. I hope and pray it's a new day in Kansas where people from all walk of life from the borders of Missouri to Colorado and from Nebraska to Oklahoma will have affordable healthcare in Kansas. I believe most of the legislative body has a faith base. If you have any doubt, consider what would Jesus do (Matthew 5).

God bless,



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