Date: 14 March 2023

To: Representative Will Carpenter, Chair of the House Federal and State

Affairs Committee

Re: HB2446

Dear Chair Carpenter and Committee Members:

I write in opposition to HB 2446. If passed, this bill sorely limits cities and counties from enacting common sense solutions regarding single-use plastics affecting our local landfills, waterways, wildlife, and ultimately our food chain.

As written, this legislation not only stifles serious debate, but also creative solutions to an issue which will surely worsen over time if not addressed. It limits efforts to pre-plan and find much-needed solutions that we may otherwise be forced to make to survive.

Please do not allow one group to define the issue and control the solution. This is the beginning of the conversation not the end, and local voices need to be heard!

I urge you to reject HB 2446. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Terry VanHorne Citizen of Sedgewick County