Opponent Testimony of HB2238 For the Senate Education Committee March 6, 2023 Kristina Davis Kansas Resident

Chair Baumgardner and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide opponent written testimony on House Bill 2238.

My name is Kristina Davis and this is important to me because creating legislation to target an extremely small group of already vulnerable Kansans is not only a waste of time but will serve to increase the hatred and misunderstanding of trans individuals.

School sports are intended to teach teamwork and build community within the school. Disallowing a person to participate because of their gender identity not only teaches that some people should be excluded in sports, it also shows that excluding others because they are different is not only allowed but is the law.

My hope is that this committee will do what is right for our children and protect the most vulnerable from being excluded. Thank you for your consideration.