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Good morning Honorable Senators.

Thank you for allowing me to speak to you this morning as to why it is so important that you pass SB-50 and what it means to residents of Kansas.

Social Media when first introduced was so appealing. It allowed us to connect with friends, family and people from all over the world. It allowed us to reach a vast audience in a very quick amount of time.

After these past couple of years, I believe that you, like I have discovered that their intent was deceptive.

Now, for the first time in our history, our country which was founded on principles of Freedom of Speech and protected by our U.S. Constitution, these companies deliberately will stop at nothing to censor anyone whose opinion differs from theirs. This is outrageous and has gone on long enough! They call it "misinformation" or "disinformation." That's their playbook. Their tactics are to control the narrative and refuse to allow anyone to exercise our freedom of speech when it differs from theirs.

Many people no longer want to watch the news every day because it's full of doom and gloom and they don't know who to trust that will report accurate facts rather than giving us their opinion to promote their narrative. Because of this, social media has taken advantage of this by including news articles that they wish to promote.

Some examples that I have personally witnessed include the following:

- Currently, our newly elected Chairman of Johnson County Board of County Commissioners announced early in the week before his first meeting that the board would be instituting a new policy and rules due to a YouTube policy. The biggest change was to no longer allow residents to give public comments through Zoom during the weekly commissioner meetings and no longer stream in-person comments on air unless they are given during certain action items listed on the agenda.
- In a written communication the reason for the change was because false information had been shared about public health (which involved mask mandates, vaccine mandates, lockdowns, forced injections etc.) and commissioners broadcast live to the world.
- So, our BOCC make important decisions for Johnson County residents which affects where we live and our taxes, they refuse to allow residents who work full time, those that are disabled or the elderly who are unable to attend their meetings in person, they do not allow them to hear what other residents are saying. To me this is considered taxation without representation!
- Another important example occurred during COVID-19. I attended a number of health symposiums starting in the Fall of 2021 where renowned physicians and scientists who were associated with the International Alliance of Physicians and Scientists came to provide substantial evidence of how to successfully and safely treat the COVID-19 virus. Why did the mainstream media and social media companies refuse to them to speak to citizens of this country in order to save lives and quickly treat those in need? Individual rights and health freedoms were censored and the government's response to treating patients was ineffective.
- It wasn't necessary to require vaccine mandates because many including myself have used the protocols that these doctors recommended and found them to be extremely safe and effective. <u>https://globalcovidsummit.org/page/kansas-city</u>

 I posted something on Instagram that showed how many vaccines children from birth to age 18 received which was quite overwhelming and received a message from Instagram that it was removed due to disinformation. The CDC's website include the VAERS Reports which stands for Vaccine Adverse Effective Reporting System. Based upon a number of FOIA requests to the CDC, it has been found that some of these vaccines given to children and even adults taking the vaccines for COVID-19 have had serious health conditions such as myocarditis autoimmune diseases etc. These social media companies do not practice medicine so why are we allowing them to have the authority to do this? Many people need to be educated about this crucial information.

Thank you for your time and I appreciate you supporting SB50.

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