Statement by Teresa Delgado In Opposition of SB208 Kansas Senate Education Committee February 23, 2021

This bill taking away HUMAN rights and equality can not be passed. Not only is it discriminatory it is dangerous to trans youths mental health and lives. Suicide rates in trans youth is already outrageous. Imagine if they are further ridiculed.

This also makes them targets for attacks. If they have not yet had gender reassignment surgery and have to play on the "women's" or "men's" team according to their biological gender there is a large possibility that they are hurt or even killed. Look at the number of trans beatings and deaths in America. Now tell me you knew that this was going on.

Also, the "inspection" of people's gender meaning genitalia is absolutely illegal. If this bill is passed every doctor or coach or whomever check a youths gender Can and should be charged with sexual assault and molestation. They should also be convicted as well as the legislators who wrote and agreed to this violation of Kansas bodies.

Thank you.

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