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Honorable Chairman Mike Petersen and Senate Transportation Committee Members.

It is a honor to provide testimony asking your consideration of The Dennis Wilson Memorial Highway SB 20 today. Dennis should be remembered for his real heart of service for others in throughout his life. A successful entrepreneur, everyone knows he was a business genius, but he always used that success to lift and help others. His family, community. Church, business partners and the State of Kansas. The reason for his many accomplishments through his life are clear and simple, that he really cared for others.

Serving in the Kansas House with Dennis from the first several characteristics about him were evident. Dennis was quick to act when a problem needed a solution. The best people skills and profound insight and wisdom, Dennis would work hard, study, get the facts, put together the first draft and inspire others to action.

Wish you had time for more details of why he should be honored but a quick over view of his life of service:

Dennis, a Veteran of the US Air Force, truly has a remarkable record of public service. Over a 27-year career, he served the people of Kansas as an elected or appointed position in the following capacities:

1992 to 1994 – elected as a Republican precinct Committeeman

1995 to 1999 - elected as a State Representative in the KS House of Representatives, 29 District

1997 Class of Leadership Kansas

1999 to 2001 - Appointed by the Kansas State Treasurer, Tim Shallenburger, to be the Director of the Office of Unclaimed Properties/Director of Administration/Director of Government Affairs

2001 to 2004 - the last elected Johnson County Treasurer

2004 to 2008 - elected as State Senator, 37th District

2006 Candidate for Kansas Lieutenant Governor

2008 to 2009 - Appointed by Governor Sam Brownback as the state Lottery Director

2015 to 2019 - elected Johnson County Water One Board Member

Sincerely,

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