



March 1, 2012

The Honorable Steve Brunk  
Kansas House of Representatives  
District 85  
300 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Topeka, KS 66612

Re: Testimony by David Hill, Mid America Bank as Proponent for HB 2689

Dear Mr. Brunk,

On behalf of Mid America Bank, I am pleased to provide this testimony in support of HB 2689, specifically the additions relating to a potential new business, a dinner train in Baldwin City.

Mid America Bank is a leading advocate for economic growth in Baldwin City. The economic vitality of our community relies on our ability to successfully attract a broad range of businesses and create jobs for our local residents.

To operate in Douglas and Franklin Counties, the dinner train will need a liquor license. In addition to increasing tourism in the Baldwin City area, the proposed dinner train will create approximately 14 FTE in jobs for local residents. Baldwin City and the surrounding areas will benefit from the presence of the proposed dinner train.

I therefore encourage you to support the passage of a liquor license for railcars with HB 2689.

Sincerely,

David M. Hill  
President

House Federal & State Affairs

Date: 3-5-12

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