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Kansas House Federal and State Affairs Committee
Kansas Senate Judiciary Committee
Topeka, Kansas

Re: Testimony for House Concurrent Resolution 5019

Dear Committee Members:

I submit this testimony to ask you to vote no on the constitutional amendment that denies the right to reproductive freedom in the Kansas Constitution.

I am a Christian living in rural south central Kansas. I value both life and freedom. I, too, want to reduce abortions, but believe that we cannot take away a woman's constitutional liberty and privacy rights, which include having autonomy to control her reproduction.

There is no "one-size-fits-all" solution to the abortion debate. Why can't we give women the freedom to choose whether to have an abortion but also work to reduce unwanted pregnancies?

Sincerely,

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