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RE: Testimony in opposition to SB 248

Dear Representatives,

It is with great thought that I write to you on behalf of my Governing Body to offer our testimony in opposition of SB 248. Caldwell is a community of less than 1,000 residents. Luckily enough we have the privilege of having a grocery store and a handful of restaurants in our Community that contributes most of revenue funding our levies for the services we provide, which, for a small community are many.

The elimination of food sales tax would be crippling to our already tight general operating budget, it could, in turn cause the rise in property taxes and the fall of services provided like healthcare, fire, police and education which is already struggling with the levies they are allotted now.

There are so many improvements that need to be made in our community, any cuts in potential revenue would make those improvements nearly impossible to complete. My Governing Body does not support this Senate Bill, and believes it would devastate local municipalities across Kansas in a rapid state.

Thank you for your consideration, and I urge you to stand behind your Cities in opposition to SB 248.

Sincerely,

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City Administrator, City of Caldwell

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