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Rep. Stephen K. Howe, Chair
Kansas House of Representatives Committee on Higher Education Budget
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Rep. Angel Roeser
Kansas House of Representatives
Room: 167-W – Capitol Building
300 SW 10th Avenue
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Re: 2025 Kansas House Bill 2120 – Letter of Support

Rep. Howe, Rep. Roeser, and Distinguished Committee Members:

By this letter, the Riley County Board of County Commissioners states its support for 2025 Kansas House Bill 2120, specifically HB 2120's authorization of the sale of Kansas State University's Unger Complex (aka the former Farm Bureau building).

The Riley County Board of County Commissioners appreciates Kansas State University's request for the Kansas Legislature to authorize sale of the Unger Complex to a private party. Specifically, the Riley County Commission supports the return of the Unger Complex to the property tax roll.

While the Commission understands that HB 2120 merely authorizes the sale of the Unger Complex and does not specify the purchaser of this important property, the Commission takes this opportunity to emphasize how important it will be for the Unger Complex to contribute to the local tax base by paying property taxes. The Commission is mindful that each property use imposes local service burdens, and wishes to highlight how important it is for properties to participate in funding these essential services by paying their fair share of taxes.

Very Truly Yours,



Greg McKinley, Chairman



Kathryn Focke, Vice Chair



John Ford, Member

cc: Vivienne Leyva, Public Information Officer—For Immediate Press Release