January 27, 2025

To: Kansas Senators and House Representatives

RE: Support for SB 37 and HB2025

From: Janet Pippin

Please support and vote for these bills to repeal the state law allowing cities to extend zoning regulations up to 3 miles into unincorporated areas of a county:

Cities should not have jurisdiction over those living in the county. We have no legal right to vote for city council and mayoral races or on city taxation and bonding issues and therefore, the city governing officials should have no authority over this 3-mile zone beyond the city boundaries. If allowed to remain in place city, officials will continue to have no accountability to the county citizens, continuing to mis-manage funds for frivolous expenditures that are seemingly important to city dwellers but have no benefit for those who choose to live in the county. There are obvious reasons that people choose to live outside of city limits. Please vote to repeal the 3-mile law in the interests of Kansans and your constituents who have chosen to live in the county for a quiet country setting, an agricultural lifestyle, and/or to escape the urban sprawl.

This request is written only, and it will not be accompanied by an oral presentation.