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Written in support of the repeal for city 3 mile zone with HB 2025 and SB37:

As a county landowner within 3 miles of the city, we feel as though we have no power over if or when our property is annexed. Annexation is something commonly forced upon many residents and agricultural owners in Geary County. Most properties annexed in the past still do not have city services to their property yet. Those who do want city water and sewer must pay to have them brought out to the property despite paying city taxes. Taxes are the main reason residents do not want to be annexed. As a county with the highest taxes in the state, we do not want to be annexed into the city and have to pay double our current property tax. As a county landowner, when we become annexed into the city, we will no longer be able to afford our property due to our property taxes being more than our mortgage.

In conclusion, I am hoping you will consider giving property owners a say over their land.

Respectfully,

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