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RE:

Senate Bill No. 342

Safety Corridor

Dear Chairman Umbarger and Committee Members:

I am the McPherson County Director of Public Works and the President of the Kansas County Highway Association. The Kansas County Highway Association consists of the County Engineers and Road Supervisors of Kansas counties. The counties maintain 109,000 miles of road and 19,650 bridges. That is 87 % of the road mileage in Kansas, and 77% of the state's bridges.

The Kansas County Highway Association supports Senate Bill No. 342, which authorizes the designation of a safety corridor on the state's most dangerous highways. Driving is a serious endeavor that can turn tragic in an instant. We believe the safety corridor designation will benefit the motoring public.

We support any action that would heighten driver awareness and result in fewer deaths or injuries on the designated highways.

Our organization asks you and the committee members to support the legislation.

Respectfully,

Tom Kramer, President

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