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TO: House Health and Human Services Committee

FROM: Glenn Rodden, City Administrator, City of Beloit

DATE: March 18, 2015

RE: House Bill 2319 – Support

On behalf of the City of Beloit I am pleased to provide a letter of support for House Bill 2319, which requires the Kansas Department of Health and Environment to develop a federal Medicaid waiver for a budget-neutral managed care program known as KanCare 2.0.

KanCare 2.0 will provide access to health care coverage options for newly eligible individuals while employing personal responsibility through cost sharing and rewarding healthy outcomes and responsible health choices.

KanCare expansion will have very positive economic impact on our community. Currently, Mitchell County Hospital provides nearly \$2.3 million in uncompensated care per year. That number has steadily increased over the last several years and that trend will continue. However, if the KanCare program is expanded, the amount of uncompensated care will drop by nearly \$500,000 per year. The non-health care impact for Mitchell County is over \$175,000 per year.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Glenn Rodden", is written over a faint, larger blue ink signature that is partially obscured.

Glenn Rodden
City Administrator
City of Beloit, KS