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To whom it may Concern:

My name is Debbie Murchison-Perri and I want to give my written testimony in regards to Bill SB5. It is my understanding this Bill is to establish a portion of 69 Highway in Overland Park, Kansas, the 2LT Justin Lee Sisson Memorial Highway.

I personally know the Sisson family as I too, am a Gold Star. Naming this stretch of 69 Highway in Justin's name would be so meaningful to this family. I don't mean to speak for them but I know how much they love their son. It shows is everything they do. Justin touched so many lives. His family and friends have attended many events in his honor from Arizona to Florida, where Justin when to school. But...Overland Park is Justin's home. He grew up here, went to Blue Valley Schools here and also buried here. It is important for our community and State, to honor this young man. Seeing his name as I drive on 69 Highway, would allow me to honor and remember Justin. The people in our community would be allowed to do the same. I can just imagine what his family would feel as they drive this stretch of highway in their hometown of Overland Park. What pride they would feel, knowing their son in being honored in this way.

The Community and State should be aware of such honorable young men, such as Justin. Justin died for this country. He fought for us to live in a country that allows us to be Free. Free of Harm and Terror. To see his name on a highway will remind people of why we live in such a great country.

I would ask of this committee, to consider Bill SB5, in Justin's honor. Do this for Justin, his family as well as the State of Kansas.

Sincerely,

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