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Dear Appropriations Committee:

I am a breeder of Thoroughbreds for the over 30 years. I would like to have the Woodlands open again. Over the years we have supported many suppliers and service providers. The horse industry supports many people in agriculture. We have been supporting people in other states that have a racing program. I would like to keep my money in Kansas.

Something that many people do not know about the racing industry and The Woodlands Race Track. During the time the Woodlands was open over a Million dollars was given to Kansas State's College of Veterinary Medicine for canine and equine research. You can find the exact dollar amounts which were reported each year in the Kansas Racing and Gaming Report. These dollars helped many students with furthering their education in veterinary medicine.

Donations were made to many charities during the time the Woodlands was open. This list is also in the yearly report put out by the Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission.

I listed some organizations that I am involved in so you could see that I am passionate about horses and our racing industry.

Please vote yes for HB 2173.

Sincerely, Zam Darin

Pam Davis

Kansas Thoroughbred Association Board Member 2016 Kansas Thoroughbred Breeder of the Year

Kansas Horse Council Member

Member of Class XII of the Kansas Agricultural Rural Leadership Program