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Dear Chair Tyson and the members of the Senate Committee on Assessment and Taxation:

I am writing in support of the Comprehensive Tax Reform bill (SB 188).

When my family moved here ten years ago for my husband's work, we decided to purchase our home in Johnson County because of the schools. Our sons are currently juniors at Blue Valley North High School, where they are receiving a top-notch education by top-notch educators. We can't lose either. Without well-paid educators, our schools' progress will suffer and to ensure our educators remain in Kansas, the state must put forward a plan to receive the revenue it needs to keep our education system as stellar as it is now.

Also, our infrastructure needs attention. I-435 is riddled with potholes, cracks and bumps. Each time I travel the highway, I wonder if I might need to send my car into service for misalignment. I no longer even consider traveling south on Highway 69 to visit family in Texas. In some areas, this road is even worse.

I ask that you support SB 188 both for our schools and our roads.

Thank you for your consideration,

Prafulla Shintri