



## REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE

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KANSAS NATIONAL COMMITTEEWOMAN

Dear Chairman Carpenter, Vice-Chairman Bergquist and members of the Committee:

Thank you for all your hard work and efforts during this challenging session. I appreciate the work of this committee and its commitment to ensure that our election processes are fair and legal.

I'm writing you today in support of HB2326. I believe this piece of legislation can be a bipartisan effort to lift a major load off the shoulders of our county, district and state chairs in both parties. Having served as the Shawnee County Chairwoman, I have first-hand experience in understanding the challenges and frustrations in having limited access to contact information. It makes it difficult to perform those duties efficiently and effectively. While I believe the passage of this bill has many practical applications like special elections, monthly newsletters and reorganization meetings, I also believe it has humanitarian benefit as well.

When the Covid-19 pandemic hit, the Republican Shawnee County leadership team created a calling/emailing tree to reach out to our precinct members who were older. We wanted them to know that they were not forgotten and make certain that they had what they needed. I was amazed at the number of individuals who we could not reach due to this information not being readily available. That concerned me greatly! With most communication occurring electronically in today's world, it makes sense to update the statute to require emails and phone numbers to be shared with party leaders at the local and state level.

I'm so appreciative of Laura Tawater and Rep. Tatum Lee-Hahn bringing this forward for consideration. Thank you again for the opportunity to submit my support of HB2326.

Warm wishes,

Kim Borchers