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## **Testimony in Support for House Bill 2483 Providing for the Daughters of the American Revolution License Plate**

Chairman Proehl and members of the House Appropriations Committee, thank you for the opportunity to share this testimony in support of House Bill 2483 (HB2483).

I am the 6<sup>th</sup> great granddaughter of Noah Lee and David Smiley - two farmers from northeast Pennsylvania who signed an Oath of Allegiance, took up arms in their local militia, and sacrificed their safety and livelihoods to help create an independent nation. Because of my 6<sup>th</sup> great grandfathers, I now have the opportunity to submit this testimony and be a part of a free and democratic process. It was through these two ancestors that I joined the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) in 2005.

HB 2483 provides the opportunity for members of the DAR in Kansas to display and promote their membership through their license plates. As the committee members hear testimony and possibly work this bill, I recommend that references to Daughters of the American Revolution be focused to Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution, as each State and several Units Overseas operate under their own bylaws and articles of incorporation.

Today, I have the honor of serving as the Kansas Society DAR State Regent. And while DAR is a nonpolitical organization, I can tell you that many of the more than 3,000 Kansas Daughters would gladly purchase a license plate and proudly share their DAR membership on their vehicles.

Thank you again for the opportunity to share this testimony in support of HB2483.