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January 8, 2024

Senate Committee on Assessment and Taxation  
Hearing: Thursday, January 11, 2024, 9:30 a.m.  
Room 548-S

Re: Testimony in favor of SB 196

To Chair Caryn Tyson and Members of the Committee:

The City of Haysville is supportive of SB 196 recognizing the positive impact the bill will have on cities and their residents. Reinstating the statutory transfer from the State General Fund to the Local Ad Valorem Tax Reduction Fund would provide another avenue for the City of Haysville to lower its mill rate. Due to conservative budget policy and effective cost controls, Haysville lowered its mill rate by 3.47 mills during the 2024 budget process.

Thank you for your consideration of SB 196 and positive impact it will have on residents of the City of Haysville and the great State of Kansas.

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony regarding SB 196.

Sincerely,

Russ Kessler  
Mayor