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Dear Chairman Thompson and Members of the Committee,

We believe SB 253 is a critical step to address the red tape that is stifling productivity and creating barriers to economic opportunity for business and families in the sunflower state. It is also an avenue for entrepreneurship in Kansas and an opportunity remove outdated regulations through an expedited process.

SB 253 allows authorizing the delivery of alcoholic liquor and cereal malt beverage by licensed retailers, licensed clubs, drinking establishments and restaurants and third-party delivery services to patrons. We think this is positive movement in the direction for Kansas.

Of the thousands and thousands of regulatory barriers that exist in Kansas, we believe there is significant room for improvement by removing outdated or ineffective regulations. At the same time, is important to note the distinction between regulations that support a legitimate government function and red tape, which are rules that do not serve the public interest because their cost outweighs their benefits. This is indeed one of those instances. We believe the successful passage of this legislation can open a path to reduce red tape and grow businesses.

We believe this bill allows for the rules and regulations to be targeted in a more economically productive way. We do ask that any enabling clauses for new rules and regulations be thoughtfully crafted as to not create additional and unnecessary barriers outside the intent of the legislature.

Thank you for your consideration of SB 253.

Sincerely,

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