Tabitha C. Rose Hill, Kansas Butler County Senate District 16

In Support of SB303

Chairman Hilderbrand and Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee Members:

I am writing to ask you to please support SB 303. I was not directly impacted by what happened last year (and really is still happening) to the elderly in care facilities, but I watched what multiple friends went through and my hurt broke for them and their families. Many friends state that the lack of connection during COVID happenings made their loved ones give up. They lost the will to live due to loneliness! Some of them were not well cared for in facilities, and the families weren't able to look in and hold the care centers accountable for a service they're paying dearly for.

One of my good friends has removed her grandmother and grandfather from a dementia facility and she is caring for them in her home now because she saw how badly the lack of care and the lock downs impacted them. My desire is to never see the same things happen again. I know care must be taken to protect those in higher risk groups, but quality of life must be considered as well. There must be a way to protect them from sickness, while still protecting their need for love, support, and accountability from outside sources. Please support this bill and support those it protects.

Thank you,

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